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Malaya Terrorism Continues: Jap Doctor Arrested

Kuala Lumpur, June 20.
The Selangor State Criminal Investigation Department, in the first swoop under the new emergency powers to combat the outbreak of terrorism here, today arrested a Japanese ex-army doctor, said to be preparing to act as a medical officer for the "Communist guerrillas".

BCOF C-in-C Defied Gen MacArthur

Sydney, June 20.
The BCOF Chief, Lt. Gen. H. C. H. Robertson, defied a United States order to arm all planes for emergencies, according to Richard Hughes of the Sydney Sun in a dispatch from Tokyo today.
Last March when Gen. Robertson was in Australia Gen. Douglas MacArthur ordered all occupation planes in Japan must be armed for wartime emergency. The order stated that Australian as well as American planes should take this precaution.
AVM P. J. McCauley, then Acting BCOF C-in-C, ordered guns and ammunition to be installed in the British occupation air force—three Australian and one New Zealand squadrons.
Hughes said when Gen. Robertson returned to Japan in April he angrily reversed the order and told Gen. MacArthur that his occupation directive did not include such active preparations for war.
He said he proposed to continue to confine his activities to protect communications, guarding against sabotage and other essential occupation duties.
Guns were removed from the Australian planes.
The Sun said this has annoyed the Americans who regard their guns. The Americans claim their Fifth Air Force is fully prepared to avert any possible repetition of Pearl Harbour in Japan.—United Press.

21 Dead In Bomb Explosion

Cairo, June 20.
Five hours after the blast which wrecked several houses in the Jewish quarter, the police said 21 dead and 60 injured had been removed from the debris.
The search continued for other victims as the police cordoned the area. An estimated 40 persons were killed.
The United Press reporter visiting the scene said four houses were demolished and several others partially damaged by the blast.
A survivor said an explosion roused him from his sleep at about 5 a.m. and he saw glass splinters flying through his room.
The police meanwhile reported that a quantity of dynamite was found in one of the damaged houses. They said it was not yet determined whether the explosives were accidentally set off or placed in the area maliciously.—United Press.

MOUNTBATTEN AU REVOIR

New Delhi, June 10.
Broadcasting an Au Revoir message tonight, Lady Mountbatten said, "At this moment you stand between the past and the future facing all manner of problems and perils on a gigantic scale."
But, she added, from "my glimpses of your glorious heritages" there will be "no lack of faith or unity of purpose in your determination to overcome everything standing in the way of justice and progress."
Lord and Lady Mountbatten are leaving Delhi on Monday.—Associated Press.

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In Singapore, five Chinese, armed with automatics and revolvers, last night murdered the Chinese manager of the Chan Wing estate at Bekon Lobis, in the southernmost state of Johore.
The gang shot the manager while another party of five Chinese, armed with rifles and sawn-off shotguns, looted the provision store of the Johore River estate.

The doctor is 30-year-old Takashibashi Rutaru, a Tokyo University graduate. The arrest took place about one mile from here.
The doctor's Chinese wife and other Chinese were also taken into custody.
Three of the Chinese were alleged to be members of a "strong-arm squad" of a powerful secret society, "with Communist connections."
Twenty copies of Japan, a medical equipment, ready for moving to the nearby hills, were said to have been seized.

Army Gone Underground

Takashibashi was reported to have said that he "disappeared" from a Japanese camp shortly before being repatriated.
It is stated that the secret society "protected" him, frightening any persons who might have reported his presence to the police.
The leaders of the former Malayan Peoples Anti-Japanese Army in Johore have gone underground and have called the former members of the "Army" to rejoin on an "active basis."
The police report that the ex-guerrilla chiefs have already taken to the hills and have issued a "call to arms" preliminary to commencement of large-scale guerrilla activity.
In Nasal, Johore, a European planter was reported to have fired at unknown intruders on Friday night. The intruders fled.
Further north, a Chinese bank of 20 men yesterday burned down a rubber factory on the Nyur Estate in Kluang.—Reuter.

Where Is T.V. Soong?

The mystifying absence from office of Dr. T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung, is puzzling newspapermen in Canton, according to vernacular reports from the Kwangtung capital yesterday.
For the past week, reporters have been unable to contact Dr. Soong at the Provincial Government Headquarters. The reports given by the Governor's aides was that he was "indisposed".
Local sources close to Dr. Soong yesterday told the "China Mail" that the Kwangtung Governor was in fact suffering from "a minor ailment" which necessitated his staying indoors.

TATTOOING THE MODERN WAY

Along Kowloon's busiest thoroughfare, Nathan Road, in a small shop—a familiar place to soldiers and sailors—a slip of a boy tattoos caricatures and artistic portraits, in the modern way.
He is 15-year-old Lai Shue Keung, one of the Colony's three known tattooists.
Within a fraction of the time taken by the original practice of "puncture and paint" the boy artist will drill out a picture on any part of the body to last for a lifetime.
It is less painful and much more efficient than the original way.
His apparatus consists only of two miniature electric hand drills, coloured indelible dyes and a catalogue of "masterpieces".
Demonstrating his skill, the tatted, dark-haired boy tattooed on a friend's forearm the replica of a naval emblem within 15 minutes, which he said by old methods would take nearly two hours.
Lai works simply and very efficiently. The design chosen, he traces it with copying pencil and transfers the outline on to the body.
Holding the small drills, one for black dye and another for red, as he would a pencil, the tattooist drills into the skin.

Modern Comfort



FILM ACTRESS Dona Drake—last of the old fashioned costumes she wore in her latest picture for Universal-International—"Another Part of the Forest"—and donned these play clothes because she likes "the freedom they give you."

LONDON DOCK STRIKE BEGINS SECOND WEEK

London, June 20.
The Labour Ministry reported today there was no evidence that the Labour dock strike which has tied up the world's largest port for a week, was nearing an end.

The Transport Workers' Union local committee called on the 15,000 dockers to resume work tomorrow, but it is believed the appeal will not be heeded.
The Ministry spokesman said no approaches had been made to the authorities by either the strikers' representatives or union officials to settle the dock dispute.
The unofficial strike committee met today to plan its strategy for the new week. Three press officers have been appointed to handle the "propaganda" division. It is expected additional workers will join the stoppage.
The Labour Ministry denied British press reports that the calling off of troops to move foodstuffs was imminent. "Not even a move, he said, has been considered yet."
At the dock gates, meetings of the workers reaffirmed their determination to stay out. More than 100 ships with import and export cargoes worth £15,000,000 are held up.
If the National Dock Labour Corporation, after talks with the

union today, decides to change the date to start the suspension of the 11 men concerned, there is hope that the strikers may return to work tomorrow.
The trouble started over the handling of "dirty cargo". Replies were expected today to telegrams which had gone out to provincial dockers asking them to strike "in sympathy".
Special appeals were made to the strikers to attend today's Victoria Park mass meeting.
Later today, the Port of London Authority stated that 92 permanent labourers at the West India Dock had returned to work, and banana ships were being unloaded.—Reuter.

Police To Push Demands

European Police Officers' Association intends to bring their grievances to the attention of the Secretary of State for the Colonies or H.M. The King, the "China Mail" learned from reliable sources yesterday.
In April a petition, drawn up by a legal firm, was presented to the Governor requesting reconsideration of the recommendations of the Salaries Commission.
This stoppage was the outcome of a meeting held by the members of the E.P.O.A. on June 15, when the officers had expressed their views on the recommendations (particularly in regard to calculation of service for pension purposes).
At that meeting it was also revealed that a petition for better treatment and accommodation was presented to the Governor in September last and that no reply had up to then been received.

FIRM HAND IN MALAYA URGED

Derby, June 10.
Mr. Anthony Eden in a speech here today urged firm and prompt handling of the unrest in Malaya, where the Government has already taken measures to counter the recent acts of violence.
Mr. Eden said that Communist agitation in Malaya was threatening the life and security of the territory where production was the greatest dollar earning asset that Britain possessed.—Reuter.

HONAN CAPITAL IS VIRTUALLY LOST TO COMMUNISTS

Nanking, June 20.
Official military reports today conceded the virtual loss of Kaifeng, where heavy street fighting is going on following a Communist breakthrough into the city.

A military news agency reputedly connected with the Ministry of National Defence said the positions in the city had been reduced in all but three points.

The Nationalist defenders are said to be continuing their resistance from the remaining posts at the buildings of the National Honan University, the provincial Government headquarters, and an artillery position in the northeast corner of the city.

Both Nationalists and Communists were rushing reinforcements as the battle for the strategic capital of Honan Province mounted in intensity.

Shower Of Leaflets
General Liu Shih, the Nationalist Commander-in-Chief, East China, flew over the beleaguered stronghold yesterday for several hours, directing the defenders in the city, who were urged to hold on at all costs in thousands of leaflets which were dropped by aircraft.

Reports from Nationalist headquarters at Hsuehchow, in north Kiangsu, said the vanguard of one large Nationalist rescue column was rapidly approaching the rear of the besieging Red forces, who are estimated to number over 60,000.

The Communists twice broke into the city's southeastern corner within the past 24 hours after their heavy guns had demolished

THOUSAND BELIEVED DROWNED

Shanghai, June 20.
More than 1,000 people are feared to have perished within the past 48 hours in Foochow, capital of the Southeastern province of Fukien, as a result of the "worst flood experienced by the city within the past several decades", according to Chinese press reports today.

These are said to include about 500 persons who lost their lives last night when a five-storey hotel, used as a temporary refugee centre, collapsed.

Hitherto, over 5,000 homes have been destroyed, the reports said, adding that the power supply and telephone communications have been interrupted and business is at a standstill as the port city lies submerged under "several feet of water."

Calls for help have been sent to neighbouring areas as the authorities instituted relief measures.

The flood followed torrential downpours and overflowing of the Min River, which flows through Foochow.

Fukien is the home province of a large section of Overseas Chinese in South-East Asia, especially the Philippines, Java, and Malaya.—Reuter.

CHUFOW FALLS

Shanghai, June 19.
The Communist Radio announced today that the Shantung town of Chufow, birthplace of Confucius, east of Yenchow, was captured by the Reds on June 11th.

Describing Confucius as an "ancient Chinese sage," the radio said that troops to "protect all historical sites, including buildings, libraries, classics, antiquities, and works of art in the temple and garden of 'Confucius'."—United Press.

Escape From Acid Attacks

Two women had lucky escapes from serious injuries when acid was thrown at them in the Xaumat district during the week-end.

The trouble started over the handling of "dirty cargo". Replies were expected today to telegrams which had gone out to provincial dockers asking them to strike "in sympathy".

The first attack took place at Nathan Road near Nanking Street at 5.50 p.m. on June 19, when Leung Wai-yuen (29) was the victim.

The next attack was made on Chau Tsui-yu (20) at Nathan Road near Public Square Street (within a quarter of a mile of the first one) at 3.25 p.m. yesterday.

In both cases, the acid was thrown by an unknown Chinese man who ran off immediately. Neither woman could give an explanation of why she was attacked.

REGIONAL SECURITY ALLIANCES DEFENDED

Welbeck Abbey, June 19.
British Minister of State, Hector McNeil, upheld today the right of nations, including the Soviet Union, to form regional security alliances with their neighbours so long as they are strictly defensive in purpose.

He told the United Nations Association's annual rally that such facts are "less healthy than a workable world system in which all the great powers agree to cooperate," but "in the absence of such a system and in the presence of a major political malady, the formation of exclusively defensive regional organizations is not a matter for regret."

McNeil, who is Mr. Bevin's right hand man in moulding Britain's foreign policy, said, "As long as the movement toward worldwide collective security for which all the democracies are ready is blocked then we must expect an extension of these regional associations in not only the Western world, but probably in the Middle East and, it may be, a comparable design emerging in the Asiatic world."

CIRCUS ARRIVES TODAY

An Indian circus, the first to visit Hong Kong since the Liberation, is expected to arrive here today.

Arrangements, it is understood, have been made for performances to be given on the vacant piece of ground on the east side of the Peninsula Hotel.

The circus, claimed to be the biggest to have visited this Colony, will include over 100 artistes of different nationalities as well as a large number of lions, tigers, elephants and Shetland ponies.

Among the artistes are a number of tight rope walkers and flying trapeze performers.

Waters Lap Tokyo

Tokyo, June 20.
Flood waters lapped into eastern Tokyo today during continuous downpour as the weatherman predicted more rain for the next three to four days.

An estimated 1,000 houses already are inundated in the city's low-lying districts. The number is likely to increase later today. This is expected to occur as the rising tide in Tokyo Bay blocks the torrents from the swollen rivers.

A report from one city ward said flood waters already was up to the dwellings' elevated floor boards in about 250 homes and that the water was rising.

The police said the worst damage was expected to occur in the Tokyo area in communities surrounding the estuary of the Sumida River which intersects the city from north-west to south-east.

The authorities said apparently there was no immediate danger to the city's water supply.

Other reports from various prefectures said the floods suspended railway operation between Yokohama and Yokosuka, where the United States Navy is stationed, and also suspended rail traffic in Chichibu and Maebashi.

Floods threaten to spread in the same wide area which was severely damaged by typhoon and caused an inundation last September.—United Press.

East River Overflows

Overflow from the East River, as a result of recent heavy rainfall, has flooded more than 5,000 acres of rice fields in the Shekling district, about half-way between the Kowloon border and Canton, it was reported from the Kwangtung capital yesterday.

The reports said that dykes near Yuenchow had been breached and more than 100 villages houses almost covered by the flood waters. No casualties were mentioned.

Other messages from Canton said that the West and North rivers were still rising. Sections of Fatshan, well-known summer resort above Canton on the West River, are under water. The outskirts of Sunwei are flooded.

Schools at Tolshan, one of the biggest county towns in South China, have been closed because of the threatening overflow of nearby West river tributaries, and the price of rice there is reportedly soaring.

GANDHI MEMORIAL STAMPS

New Delhi, June 10.
It was officially announced on Saturday that more than 30,000,000 Gandhi Memorial stamps are to be issued on the occasion of the first anniversary of Indian Independence day, August 15.

They will be in varying denominations ranging from ten rupees, equivalent to 15 shillings, and one and a half Annas, equivalent to about three halfpence.—Associated Press.

The Weather

Pressure is low over China except in the west and over the Eastern Sea. Shallow depressions cover SW China and the Gulf of Tonkin.

From the latter a trough extends eastward then northward to a complex low pressure system dominating the whole of Japan.

Pressure remains high to the East of Japan.

Today's Forecast—Moderate southerly winds. Cloudy with early morning showers, some afternoon clear spells.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 84.0 deg. Fah. Minimum 73.3 deg. Fah. Rainfall 4.4 hours.

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Compromise Decision On China

Washington, June 20. Republican Rep. Walter Judd told the United Press today that he was "disappointed" in the compromise decision on Chinese recovery funds, but added: "since nearly three months have already passed this is really \$400,000,000 for nine months and possibly all that can be usefully spent in setting the programme up."

Rep. Judd said: "Cuts in Europe were justified because of better crops since the estimates were made and more stable political situation, but the problem in China is even worse and therefore she needs more rather than less."

"On the other hand, no compromise has been signed and no money is being appropriated for a shorter length of time. I hope China will not feel the United States let her down. It should be emphasized that should this amount of money be spent wisely the year is up, there is authority for an additional amount of \$403,000,000 altogether and more could be appropriated in January."—United Press.

Danger Of War?

Washington, June 19. Representative John E. Rankin, Democrat, Mississippi, demanded today to know whether Mr. Marshall, U.S. Secretary of State, told members of the House of Foreign Affairs Committee that there is no danger of war.

Rankin, opponent of the peace-time draft, shouted to the House during its debate on the conscription bill: "Why do members of the Foreign Affairs Committee not stand up and tell us what General Marshall said this morning—that there is no danger abroad?"

A few hours earlier Marshall had appeared voluntarily before the Committee at a closed session to give its members an 80-minute review of world conditions. Rankin is not a member of the Committee.—Associated Press.

AN INVITATION TO ITALY

Manila, June 19. A proposal to invite Italian specialists to come to the Philippines and help in the country's industrial development programme was advanced today by Guillermo Guevara, a member of the Philippine delegation to the Manila Fair.

Mr. Guevara, who arrived yesterday from Italy, said that he would advocate the liberalisation of the Philippine immigration laws in order to facilitate the entry of Italian technologists and trained farmers to help this country's rehabilitation.—Reuter.

Reminders

Today.

King George V School Parents Association meeting, talk on "Interior Decoration," at European YMCA, 3.15 p.m.

Crown Land Auction, P.W.D. office, 3 p.m.

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

Chinese Catholic Ladies meeting, at Rectory, St. Margaret's Church, 8.30 p.m.

Chinese Catholic Young Men Association meeting, Rectory, St. Margaret's Church, 8 p.m.

Art Exhibition, St. Francis Hotel, Queen's Road Central.

China Coast Navigating & Engineering Officers Guild, annual general meeting, Union Bldg., 8 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.

Urban Council Meeting, G.P.O. Bldg., 4.15 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "Democracy East and West" by Dr. E. G. Radapott, Roof Garden, 12.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., annual meeting, Queen's Bldg., 11.30 a.m.

Flag Whist (Games Morning), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Commemoration of Siam's National Day, Cocktail Party at Jacobson, Room by Siamese Consul-General, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m.

Friday

Kowloon Rotary Club, luncheon at "Peninsula" Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Classical Music Recital, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Candy Making Class, European YMCA (Ladies' Section), 10 a.m.

SATURDAY

Programme of Popular Music by Hong Kong Light Orchestra, at Kowloon Cricket Club.

MARSHALL AID APPROVED

\$400,000,000 FOR CHINA INCLUDING MILITARY AID

Washington, June 20. Senate and House conferees today agreed on including \$125,000,000 in the \$400,000,000 aid programme for China along with \$4,000,000,000 for Europe. The more than \$6,000,000,000 omnibus foreign aid bill also included \$1,300,000,000 for relief and recovery in occupied areas in Korea, Japan, Austria and Germany.

The conferees left it to the Administration to decide whether the \$4,000,000,000 for Europe shall be spent in 12 months or 15.

Mr. Martin said he believed that it was "impossible" for Congress to adjourn finally tonight. The threat to the European recovery programme came only indirectly from the attempt to talk out the conscription bill. The danger was that, with only a few hours to go before the Senate adjourned, there might not be time to pass the European recovery legislation.

It was announced later that the House-Senate conference committee on foreign aid would reconvene at 8.00 p.m. GMT.

The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, and the Economic Co-operation Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, hurried to the Capitol late today to try to help the Senate-House conference group break the deadlock over Marshall aid.

Up To Truman

The conference committee made \$400,000,000 in cash available for the ERP. It permits the entire amount to be spent in a single year if President Truman decides that such rate of spending is necessary. The funds, however, will be made available for 15 months if President Truman later decides that the money can be spread over a longer period.

The ERP Administrator, Paul G. Hoffman, and the Secretary of State, George Marshall, left no doubt that the \$4,000,000,000 is needed and needed badly in a 12-month period. The agreement was a victory for Bridges, Senate President Arthur H. Vandenberg and the Administration. They have maintained that the House cuts totalling about \$2,100,000,000 in foreign aid plans would reduce the programme to mere relief role.

Until the final minutes of the long adjourned conference, Rep. John Taber and House conferees held firm for their requirement that the ERP funds last over 15 months.

China Aid

Hoffman estimated that the condition would reduce the ERP spending power about \$1,800,000,000 and force him to eliminate the recovery phases of the programme.

In addition to the ERP funds, the conferees agreed on \$400,000,000 for China aid, including \$125,000,000 specifically earmarked for military assistance to the Nationalist Government, \$225,000,000 for the Greece and Turkey "quarantine" programme, \$35,000,000 for the United Nations Emergency Children's Fund, \$70,710,228 for the International Refugee Organization.

In almost every instance the conferees agreed on the Senate spending figure. The final version of the bill was \$593,000,000, higher than Truman's budget estimates.

Taber shook his head sadly as he left the committee room and told reporters, "Well, it is just too much money to do the job. They have just got to come to it." But he signed the conference report.—United Press.

Conscription Bill

The Senate today approved a compromise draft bill for conscription in the United States and broke the Congressional deadlock on 18-hour filibuster having collapsed.

The filibuster, aimed at killing the conscription bill, imperilled the European recovery programme. The Senate approval, by voice vote, came after it had broken the filibuster.

The Senate then turned to a heated debate over whether the bill actually had been passed.

The ending of the filibuster and the passage of the bill came after one of the stormiest scenes in the Senate for many years.

Several Senators were shouting at once with the Chairman banging his gavel in vain. New hope was kindled in some quarters when some of the conferees announced that the European recovery programme could be brought to final approval before this week-end is out.

"Impossible"

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the leading architect of the European recovery programme, said that the bill would be passed. He said that the bill would be passed. He said that the bill would be passed.

Far East War Claims

Washington, June 18. The Senate Judiciary Committee today approved a bill to compensate United States citizens and military personnel for damage resulting from imprisonment or injury by Germany and Japan or damage resulting from enemy attack on United States territory such as Hawaii and the Philippines.

The Committee said claims would run to about \$500,000,000. They would be paid from assets of the public debt and will have power to call on Indian or Pakistani nationalities.—United Press.

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United Arab Palestine Insistence

Cairo, June 19. Aha! Amin El Hussini, the exiled Mufti of Jerusalem, said on Saturday night that he is "still insisting on a United Arab Palestine."

The Mufti made this statement to correspondents after an hour's conference with Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League. He declined to disclose what they discussed. It was his first call on Azzam Pasha since he returned from Damascus about a month ago.

Azzam Pasha told correspondents afterwards he would probably leave for Amman in a few days.

Asked whether the Arabs would reject the reported plan to place Palestine under U.N. jurisdiction for six months if Count Bernadotte fails to achieve a settlement during the present four weeks truce, the League Secretary said he could say only that the League's Political Committee had decided to reject any plan involving a Jewish state or implying partition and to insist on a United Arab Palestine.

Azzam Pasha denied the rumour that Premier Nokrashi Pasha of Egypt might visit Bernadotte's headquarters on the island of Rhodes shortly.—Associated Press.

US Aid Total

Washington, June 18. The Commerce Department said today that the United States government aid to foreign nations from the end of the war to December 31, 1947, totalled almost \$15,000,000,000.

The Department said that aid in the form of grants and credits since the end of the war has been furnished at the rate of almost \$8,000,000,000 per year and this year will be boosted to about \$7,500,000,000.—United Press.

Togliatti Mystery Unsolved

Prague, June 19. The Italian Communist leader, Signor Palmiro Togliatti, who arrived in Prague by air from Rome on Thursday, left yesterday for Bucharest, it was learned here tonight.

It was authoritatively stated that his visit was unofficial. It was impossible to confirm or deny reports that his purpose was a meeting with Mr. Andre Zhdanov, the Soviet Communist Party chief, and "author" of the Cominform, formed in Warsaw last year.

Although Italian Communist leaders here maintained complete silence on the whereabouts of the Communist Senator Signor Pietro Secchia, the Italian Communist Party leader, some observers believe Signor Togliatti's trip will result in a considerable shakeup in Italian Communist circles with a possible "purge" of unhelpful hangers-on.

The failure of the Leftwing Socialists who favour joint action with the Communists is uncertain at present. One result of the Communist leaders' trip to Prague, it is thought, may be the dropping of the title "Popular Front" which covered Communists and Leftwing Socialists in the recent general elections.

The Communists, it is thought in Rome, will revert to a stricter party line with the start of a great Cominform manoeuvre in Western Europe, aimed at upsetting the opening stages of Marshall aid.—Reuter.

TURKISH VILLAGE RAIDED

Ankara, June 19. An attack on the Turkish border village of Kalkanstut by Bulgarian raiders yesterday, when one Turk and one Bulgarian were fatally wounded, was carried out by five or six men and not 50 or 60 as previously reported, the Anatolian news agency said tonight.—Reuter.

TANKS ON BORDER

Brunswick, June 18. Six British light tanks were today in the Helmsstedt district, on the border between the British and Soviet Zones of Germany, where British military police were in some strength to prevent illegal border crossings.—Reuter.

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BOTTOM EXPECTED TO FALL OUT OF GERMAN BLACK MARKET SOON

Frankfurt, June 19.

Allied authorities expect the bottom to fall out of Germany's black market when the currency reform gets into full effect.

They also expect the Germans to work harder for their own livelihood and for the recovery of Germany. The authorities warn that there won't be anything but poverty for the Germans if they don't get down to work.

On Monday morning each German will have only 40 marks—about four dollars—in his pockets. Another 20 marks will be paid later. No one will get any money until he earns it. Allied authorities figure that the black market will disappear and that deflation will set in with the introduction of the new mark.

For the first time since the end of the war, Germans will be able to buy shoes, shirts, sugar, coffee and maybe even cigarettes at legal prices.

"No Marks Please"

Goods which now cost 100 marks on the black market—and that is the only place things like cigarettes and shoes can be bought—will be available at one mark.

One pound of coffee is usually about 300 black market marks and reportedly sold for 1,500 marks late on Friday. Cigarettes—always a black market specialty—could not be bought for any price today.

One garage owner nearly broke into tears when an American

customer arrived to pay his bill. He pleaded: "Please, don't give me marks. Give me food. Give me anything. But don't give me marks."

The average German will have to live on what he earns each week. He will have to work for money instead of goods because there is no other way of getting the new currency. This is what the average German can expect for awhile.

Real Poverty

Firstly, real poverty until wages scramble back to a point where hard work for hard pay will show itself. Secondly, substitution of gainful employment for black marketing. Harder goods will come out of hiding at night of hard currency. Thirdly, the rare items such as cigarettes and sugar may be more readily available for hard earned cash and not for stacks of papers. Allied authorities expect trading now at zero mark to soar. Producers will have to wait for their foreign trade until the new mark finds its international value.—United Press.

German Republic "Groundwork"

Berlin, June 19.

The Communist controlled "German Peoples Council" of the Russian occupation zone on Saturday publicly proclaimed itself the "qualified representatives of the German people."

It announced that it was going ahead with measures for "laying the groundwork of an all Germany Republic" which would seek adherents in Western Germany where the Peoples Council is banned. Qualified Western Allied ob-

servers regarded this the Russian and German Communist answer to the decision of the London Six Nations Conference to establish a German Government in Western Germany.

They interpret it to mean that the Russian backed German Communists plan to form a Government in Berlin and demand recognition for it.

"Mandate"

Its proclamation, issued on Saturday, was the first time the Soviet endorsed Peoples Council had claimed to have a Germany wide "mandate."

It based its claim on the recent referendum for a United Germany which was conducted chiefly in the Russian zone. The Communists claimed that more than 13 million Germans signed their petitions for establishment of an indivisible German Republic on the Weimar Model.

"The Peoples Council made its claim in a proclamation which denounced the Western Powers for 'splitting' Germany through the London Conference recommendations and the Western Germany currency reform.—Associated Press.

JAPANESE HAVE NEW EDUCATION CONCEPTS

Tokyo, June 20.

The Japanese Diet has passed a resolution to make sure that everyone in Japan knows that education no longer is to be restrained by Emperor Meiji's rescript making the State the centre of all learning.

The resolution said the "universal human principles" of the new constitution eliminate thoroughly "the error of an education that would put our state and nation at the centre of the universe and proclaim solemnly the concepts of Democratic education aimed at rearing a humanity that stands for truth and peace."

"We fear that some ill advised elements may entertain the notion that these documents still retain their validity and wish to make clear the fact that they are

no longer valid and to cause the government to collect all copies of such documents in the possession of universities and schools."

The resolution added that the nation must strive to disseminate new education concepts "so that the true dignity of education may be upheld and national morals may be uplifted."

Under the old system all children in schools had to memorize the Meiji rescript even if they didn't understand it. It defined the role of education in the State.—Associated Press.

YOUTH STABBED

A Chinese youth was stabbed in several places by a gang of six men near No. 34, Cross Street, on Saturday morning. The victim, Ho Sin-luen, 21, is in a serious condition in Queen Mary Hospital. No arrests have been made.

DESTROYERS TO HELP MEDIATOR

Lake Success, June 19.

The United States today informed the United Nations that it will supply three destroyers to help the Palestine mediator, Count Folke Bernadotte, to supervise the Holy Land armistice.

France agreed to make the corvette, "Elan," available for similar duty during the ceasefire which is to run until July 9th.

The United States stipulated that the destroyers are not authorized to employ force of any kind or to stop any ships en route. This is to avoid any complaint from Israel that the United States is interfering with the Jewish immigration.—United Press.

PITTSBURG STRIKE POSTPONED

Pittsburg, June 19.

A strike called for midnight tomorrow by 18,500 production workers at nine plants of the Aluminum Company of America, has been postponed for one week after intervention by the Government Conciliation Service. Mr. Philip Murray, President of the Congress of Industrial Organizations and the United Steel Workers, announced today.—Reuter.

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Tokyo, June 20.

Police today listed the "Gangster of Ginza," a former Sumo wrestler among five "bosses" arrested in a cleanup of the shopping district. The police said that the wrestler, Fujimatsu Hirano, 41, was booked on suspicion of extortion.

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Brewing Fortune Settled

Buenos Aires, June 19. The State has accepted \$32,000,000 as settlement of inheritance taxes and fines from the Bemberg brewing industrial fortune, a case which has been in the courts for 16 years.

The fabulous extent of the financial and industrial empire of Otto Sebastian Bemberg and his wife, Gertrude de Bemberg, can only be guessed, but the Paris Stock Exchange was affected this week by reports of the impending settlement.

The heirs, offered the court 11,000,000 pesos in cash, 23 estates in Buenos Aires and the Santa Fe provinces totalling 88,507 hectares with a value of 46,000,000 pesos to meet the taxes. They offered a lien on seven breweries, a large cotton mill known as the Algodon Argentina Algodoneros in Argentina and other industries valued at a total of 97,000,000 pesos to pay the fines.

In order to leave an ample margin for payment, the heirs threw in a sugar mill and ten big buildings in the city of Buenos Aires.—United Press.

Recall Of Siamese If Needed

Bangkok, June 19.

The government will request the recall from foreign countries of any Siamese who should face court as a witness or as an accused in the case of the death of King Ananda Mahidol according to Luang Ardpricha Chanupakarn, Deputy Director General of the Public Prosecution Department.

This statement is interpreted by informed sources as an indication that the government may ask for the return of Nal Pridi Phanomyong, who was premier at the time of the king's mysterious death, and who is now reported to be travelling in Europe for the purpose of visiting the present king, a student in Switzerland.

Luang Ardpricha said papers concerning the case will be presented to the Public Prosecution Department within the next three weeks. The case, he added, will be handled with "special care."—United Press.

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Woodhead Articles

Sir—C. K. Lin, in his letter which appeared in the "Sunday Herald" of yesterday, accuses me of using China and the Chinese as the theme for a virulent attack on Mr. H. G. Woodhead's "China Mail" articles. It would be interesting to have Lin's classification of the articles by Mr. Woodhead, which are never complete without some degrading reference to China and the Chinese.

Lin starts off by assuming that I am an "Englishman." I am afraid I cannot lay claim to that high honour.

Secondly, Lin questions my right to say that Mr. Woodhead has been given considerable space, week after week, to vent his hatred against the Chinese. May I remind Lin that Hong Kong is a British Colony—not American—and that I am entitled to voice my views in much the same way as Mr. Woodhead and Lin himself.

Lin says he is a hundred per cent Chinese Nationalist, but that does not mean that his views are shared by every other Chinese.

I agree that those who condemn us do not always hate us and that those who condemn us do not necessarily our enemies. However, it is always the recognition of the motives which guide the person condemning and censuring. Mr. Woodhead's attitude towards China has always been one of deep-rooted antagonism and this fact can be verified by reference to his numerous writings.

Although Lin claims that Mr. Woodhead is China's Public Friend No. 1, I would say that this is entirely a matter of opinion. I would further add that no true friend of China would be likely to advocate the use of FORCE in dealing with China, as Mr. Woodhead has done in his book "A Journalist in China."

Lin may deny that America, by judicious use of the mighty dollar, is playing havoc with China's internal affairs, but facts speak for themselves.

Lin seeks to compare Britain's position with that of China, but has failed to take into consideration the fact that any comparison would be futile for the reason that Britain has a vast Empire and leaders who place love of country above all else.

Lin claims that America saved China from inevitable utter defeat. Does Lin not appreciate that if America help was sincere, there would have been no Pacific War? It was part of American diplomacy, from the early days of the China Incident, to keep the Chinese and Japanese fighting. After all, it was Chinese territory which was being ravaged and Chinese people who were being killed—not American.

America held the view that the longer these two yellow races fought each other, the easier it would be for America to achieve her aim for the ultimate domination of Asia.

Lin also asserts that America is impoverishing herself to save down and out China. This is somewhat strange, when one takes into consideration the fact that there are thousands of unemployed Americans in America, who are starving and in dire need of assistance. Why should America be so keen about helping China were it not for the fact that the Americans are looking forward to getting substantial returns.

Lin says that America saved Britain from annihilation. He has apparently forgotten the fact that when the rest of Europe crumbled before the all conquering Nazis, Britain alone stood firm and refused to let before the unremitting onslaughts of Hitler's hordes.

Undoubtedly, America applied Britain with certain of the sinews of war, but it was not for the wonderful fighting spirit of the British people, America would not be on the map today. So, in your valiant efforts to defend the Americans, Lin, play the game and give credit where credit is due.

Although the British have been busy palming off their goods to the Chinese during the last few decades, they at least gave the Chinese their money's worth and that is more than can be said for what the Americans are doing. There has been no suggestion on my part that if Chinese students had been offered a chance of post graduate studies in the United Kingdom they would be sitting like little Jack Horner in the corner.

After all, I doubt whether Lin would dare to deny the fact that the British standards of education are more dignified and conservative than American; the latter are more inclined to rowdiness as a means to an end.

Lin, who mentions his American upbringing, gives a glimpse of his real character in the first paragraph of his letter wherein he refers to a "thrashing." This is typical of the American way of life.

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RT Introduction

Sir—It seems apparent that certain authorities have at least kept their eyes open and trying their best to modernise the Harbour.

The disclosure in the "China Mail" that radio telephones will soon be installed in commercial marine craft is gratifying both to businessmen and the public.

The introduction of this modern wireless equipment will mean that the colony's marine activity will be more systematic and efficient. Cost will be automatically lowered, to the advantage of both the public and the businessman. Time and labour will be greatly minimised.

Especially during the forthcoming typhoon season when lives hang on the brink of catastrophe at certain times, and when it means a matter of minutes between life and death, this radio telecommunication equipment may be exceedingly useful.

The introduction of radio telephones will be a boon, indeed. It gives to the public an inkling of the modern outlook of the authorities concerned, and with the spread of radio telephones in local marine, as well as other commercial enterprises, Hong Kong can safely look forward to rapid progress in attaining its former importance.

This is the kind of rehabilitation the public is looking forward to and with more modern innovations, like RT, the Government can be well assured of a prosperous colony.

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Ballyhoo

Sir—It is obvious that the recent Health Week which was conducted by the Medical Department at the expense of Public Funds was merely a piece of ballyhoo to justify the existence of the Department.

A complaint appeared in your columns regarding the practice of the Sanitary Department in allowing its conservancy barges to tie up alongside the sea wall along Connaught Road Central between the Custodian Wharf and the Sincere Company between 5 p.m. each day and 7 a.m. the next morning.

Out of curiosity, I paid a visit to the area shortly after 6 p.m. yesterday and to my surprise, I observed conservancy barge S.D.C.1 lying alongside the sea wall with the canvas awning completely removed.

The four compartments of the barge were practically full of human excreta and the sight was most disgusting. Furthermore, there was a strong breeze blowing towards the shore and the stench was appalling.

Why do the barges in question tie up alongside the sea wall at such an early hour and under such conditions? Do not the servants of the Sanitary Department appreciate that night soil provides an excellent medium for the breeding of disease?

In this connection, I would refer the authorities concerned to the Health Week article which appeared in the local Press on May 25, and ask them whether they consider that they are doing their duty by the public in allowing the practice complained of to continue.

SIMPLE SIMON.

NEW ANNUAL STERLING PACT WITH IRAQ

Baghdad, June 19.

It is learned today that talks have started this week between Iraqi and British representatives to conclude a new annual sterling agreement which will allocate the 1948-49 scarce currencies that Britain will provide Iraq for covering imports from non sterling countries.

The 1947-48 agreement expires at the end of June and a new agreement will be concluded. Annual dollar allocations are provided by Britain from total sterling debts which she owes Iraq. Allocations do not include the dollars earned by Iraq through regular trade exports to non-sterling countries though these are taken into consideration when allocation were made to provide covering for the total amount necessary for all annual imports from dollar countries.

The total amount, provided, according to the agreement just expiring, was 29,000,000 dollars.—Associated Press.

U.S. ARMY COSTS

Washington, June 19.

The House of Representatives today passed and sent to the Senate a compromise Army appropriation bill for \$267,000,000 for the year starting July 1.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the One Hundred and Twenty fourth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 23rd June, 1948, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and Re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 10th June, 1948, to Wednesday, 23rd June, 1948, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
H. DA LUZ,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th June, 1948.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & YAUAMATI FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Twentieth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 3rd Floor, 144-148 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday the 30th June, 1948 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1947 and for the Special Business mentioned below.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

The following resolution will be proposed: "THAT THE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY BE INCREASED FROM \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000."

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th June, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, LAU TAK PO,
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hong Kong, 14th June, 1948.

UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

NOTICE

LECTURER IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Applications are invited for the above post. The pay is \$8,000 per annum—rising by annual increments of \$400 to \$10,800 per annum, with the possibility of appointment on the scale of \$11,200 with annual increment of \$640 to a maximum of \$15,040 per annum. The Council of the University may fix the starting pay by giving increments according to the training and qualification of the selected candidate.

There is also a variable High Cost of Living Allowance which at present is \$3,200 per annum for the lower scale, and \$3,600 per annum for the upper.

Testimonials and other papers should be in the hands of the Registrar, University of Hong Kong, by July 15, 1948.

The successful candidate will be expected to take up his duties in September.

B. MELLOR,
Registrar,
University of Hong Kong.

UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

NOTICE.

Because of the excessive number of applications and following the recommendation of the Cohen Report on Medical Education, applicants for entry into 1st year courses in the Medical Faculty of this University who have been pronounced eligible will be required to appear before a Selection Committee, to sit at the University in the last week of August; and they will be notified, individually by the Registrar of the dates and times of interview.

No student will be admitted unless accepted by this Committee; and applicants from overseas appearing before the Committee will themselves take the risk of rejection and of a possibly wasted journey to Hong Kong.

B. MELLOR,
Registrar.

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Notice To Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twentyfirst Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Mezzanine Floor, Windsor House, Hong Kong, on Wednesday 30th June, 1948, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. MILNE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th June, 1948.

INLAND-REVENUE DEPARTMENT

PROPERTY TAX

Owners of land and/or buildings situated in Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Kowloon are reminded that Property Tax for the year of assessment, 1948/49 is payable at the Treasury, 1a Des Voeux Road Central, on or before the 31st July, 1948—and that in the event of default in payment of this Tax by 12 noon on that date, a sum of five per cent of the amount in default will be added to the tax and recovered therewith.

ERIC W. PUDNEY,
Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

18th June, 1948.

NOTICE

THE CHINA COAST NAVIGATING AND ENGINEER OFFICERS' GUILD.

The Ordinary General Meeting of members of the above Guild will be held at the office, Union Building, 21 Pedder St., Hong Kong, at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 21st, 1948.

GEORGE T. LLOYD,
General Secretary.

Hongkong, June 19th, 1948.

NOTICE

The Military Hospital, Hong Kong will be open to the Public on Wednesday, June 23rd, 1948 from 1500 hrs. to 1800 hrs. Visitors will be welcome to all wards and departments.

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INTELLIGENT PUBLIC SUPPORT NEEDED FOR FREEDOM OF PRESS

Stanford, Calif., June 19.
Mr. Hugh Baillie, President of the United Press, in an address at the Stanford University today said that the forthcoming political conventions at Philadelphia will show Democracy at work under a searchlight of full publicity which would be impossible without freedom of information.

Speaking to the 10th annual conference jointly sponsored by the California Newspapers Publishers Association and Stanford University, Mr. Baillie pointed to the news coverage of political conventions as a dramatic example of how a free press works. He said that at the Geneva conference of Freedom of Information which he attended as an advisor to the United States delegation, many countries pre-empted not to understand what was meant by free press. He said: "No doubt these very countries are represented in the press box at Philadelphia. Their reporters participate on the basis of equality with American reporters. They can find out by practical experience just what we mean by free press, equity of access to news and the equality of transmission facilities."

People's Right
Mr. Baillie said that the fight for freedom of information needs intelligent support of the public. He added: "Most people are inclined to take it for granted. Or if there is discussion of it many people think we are talking about some right or privilege which is sought by newspaper editors and publishers. Nothing of the sort. Freedom of the press is the same as the freedom of thought and speech. It is the basis and fundamental right of a free people. It belongs to the people—not to the public. It is guaranteed in constitution. But that doesn't make it safe forever. At the Geneva Conference there was a movement to attack these trying reservations to this constitutional guarantee. That is, the press would be free except that it couldn't do this, that or the other thing. That is the way our fundamental liberties are likely to be flinched away from in a night if you don't watch out."

War Prospect
Regarding the prospect of war, Mr. Baillie said: "We would be foolish indeed who would hazard any predictions. Look at the critical situations which exist in Palestine, Greece, Berlin and Korea. But there is one thing in which I think we can all agree. Many of us have seen two great wars get started because foreign rulers failed to take the United States in their calculations and discounted the fighting power of this country. Let us be sure that such a stupid mistake never occurs again. It is up to us. If we are so foolish as to ever let the impression be created that we won't fight or we can't fight, then we deserve to be licked."—United Press.

"DUCKPIN" EISENHOWER

Washington, June 19.
"Duckpin" explained "Glyptic" viewpoint to "Killing" and "Kneepiece," to the bafflement of anyone not able to translate United States Navy code names. War leaders and important figures got a strange collection of names assigned to them during the recent war. The US Navy made public a partial list today.

"Duckpin" was the unflattering name for General Dwight D. Eisenhower, "Glyptic" the engraving of Generalissimo, was Premier Josef Stalin. "Killing" was President Harry Truman and "Kneepiece" was Harry Hopkins, Presidential adviser.

A careful search of some 3,000 code names and places failed to reveal the designation for Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Navy was unable to explain the omission and said that those names were still classified "secret."—Associated Press.

SHE REFUSED TO SING

Budapest, June 17.
Sister Margit Slachta, a member of the Hungarian Parliament and leader of the opposition party of Christian women, was excluded from the House for one year today for her refusal to join in the singing of the National Anthem when Parliament passed the bill nationalizing church-sponsored schools last night.

Associated Press.

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Wharf Collapses

Rome, June 19.

At least twenty persons were drowned on Saturday when a wharf collapsed at Stresa and plunged about thirty persons into the water.

The Italian Agency Ansa reported from Stresa that panic broke out when the wharf collapsed under the weight of 100 voyagers arriving from Sondrio and impeding quick rescue work.—Associated Press.

NEW RADIO STATION IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, June 19.

Work is beginning on a \$750,000 radio station to make the British Radio station in Singapore Asia's most powerful, the "Singapore Free Press" reports.

Four 100 kilowatt transmitters will be built 30 miles north of Singapore in Johore to relay the British Broadcasting Corporation's Far Eastern Service.

The British Far Eastern Broadcasting Service, a foreign subsidiary which operates a short wave station at present, is soon to be taken over by the B.B.C. A station official told the Free Press that most programme will be relayed from London and there will be only a small B.B.C. programme staff at the station at Singapore.—Associated Press.

TOO SHORT FOR NEW LOOK

Bangkok, June 20.

Siamese women, generally considered the beauty queens of the Far East, have turned thumbs down on the new look.

A survey by the Bangkok Post showed the longer dress length had dropped for three reasons. First, said they "wouldn't dare" wear the new styles until someone else broke the ice—and no one has.

They said the new skirts "just aren't suited for short women." Few Siamese girls are taller than five feet one inch.

They said in a tropical country the new styles were too warm. "I haven't sold more than two or three 'new look' dresses a leading dress-maker told the Post.—Associated Press.

ERP GOODS FROM CANADA

Washington, June 19.

The Trade Minister, C.D. Howe, today announced that Canada will be able to supply goods valued at over \$600,000,000 in the two months ending June 30, 1949 for European recovery under the Marshall plan.

He revealed that commitments have already been made for goods valued over \$250,000,000. He said the figure was "of a magnitude that is because it is reasonable to believe that other commitments might have been made by Canadian exporters independently, unknown to the Government.—United Press.

TRUCE TALKS

Baghdad, June 19.

Abdul Rahman Al Falahi, Director of the Iraqi Ministry of Foreign Affairs, left here by air for Cairo today to meet Ahmed Al Rawi, Iraqi Foreign Under-Secretary, before proceeding to Rhodes as one of the Arab League's four experts to discuss the Palestine truce with General Forth Bertrando, the United Nations mediator.—Reuter.

TRUCE MISSION

Washington, June 19.

John J. Macdonald, U.S. Consul General at Bombay, has been nominated by President Truman to be American representative on the Truce Commission in Palestine.

He replaces Thomas C. Watson who was killed in the Jerusalem fighting.—Associated Press.

COAL STRIKE THREAT

Washington, June 19.

President Truman took the first step today to head off a possible coal strike next month by naming a Board of Enquiry to look into the dispute over a new work contract between the coal companies and Mr. John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine-workers.—Reuter.

Chewing Gum For The Delegates

Philadelphia, June 19.

Republican Presidential aspirants got ready today to woo delegates to the nominating convention opening here on Monday with door prizes, music-and-dancing, receptions and at least one fashion show for ladies.

Women visitors to New York Governor Thomas Dewey's headquarters will be given shopping bags containing chewing gum, silver polish, cigarette holders and any other articles the women's committee for Dewey can get its hands on.

Baby Elephant

Each of the 200 visitors to Dewey's camp will get a prize of face powder, lipstick or comb case. For each 1,000th visitor there will be a lingerie, hosiery, dressing gown or perhaps a travelling bag. Organ music will be provided daily at Dewey's headquarters. A 11-piece orchestra will play nightly. For Dewey, the women will stage a fashion show on Tuesday.

Supporters of Senator Robert Taft had a live baby elephant—symbol of the Republican Party—flow here from a circus in Columbus, Ohio, to grace the Taft headquarters. They also have a 15-piece brass band. Receptions for the Ohio candidate will be held on Monday.

Herold E. Stassen's boosters have three headquarters. At one you get information, literature, campaign buttons and hear organ music. The second place takes care of correspondence and telephone calls. Stassen and his family and advisers are at the third. Pretty girls with beribboned baskets full of buttons roam in the vicinity of these headquarters. If they find anybody not already adorned with a

No Ballyhoo

A headquarters has also been opened for California's Governor Earl Warren, by his National Committee representatives, who emphasized that there will be "no ballyhoo." Warren is scheduled to arrive here on Sunday in a 15 car special train, accompanied by the California delegation and well-wishers. He will be given a reception on Tuesday night.

A spokesman for Warren said "We are not going to

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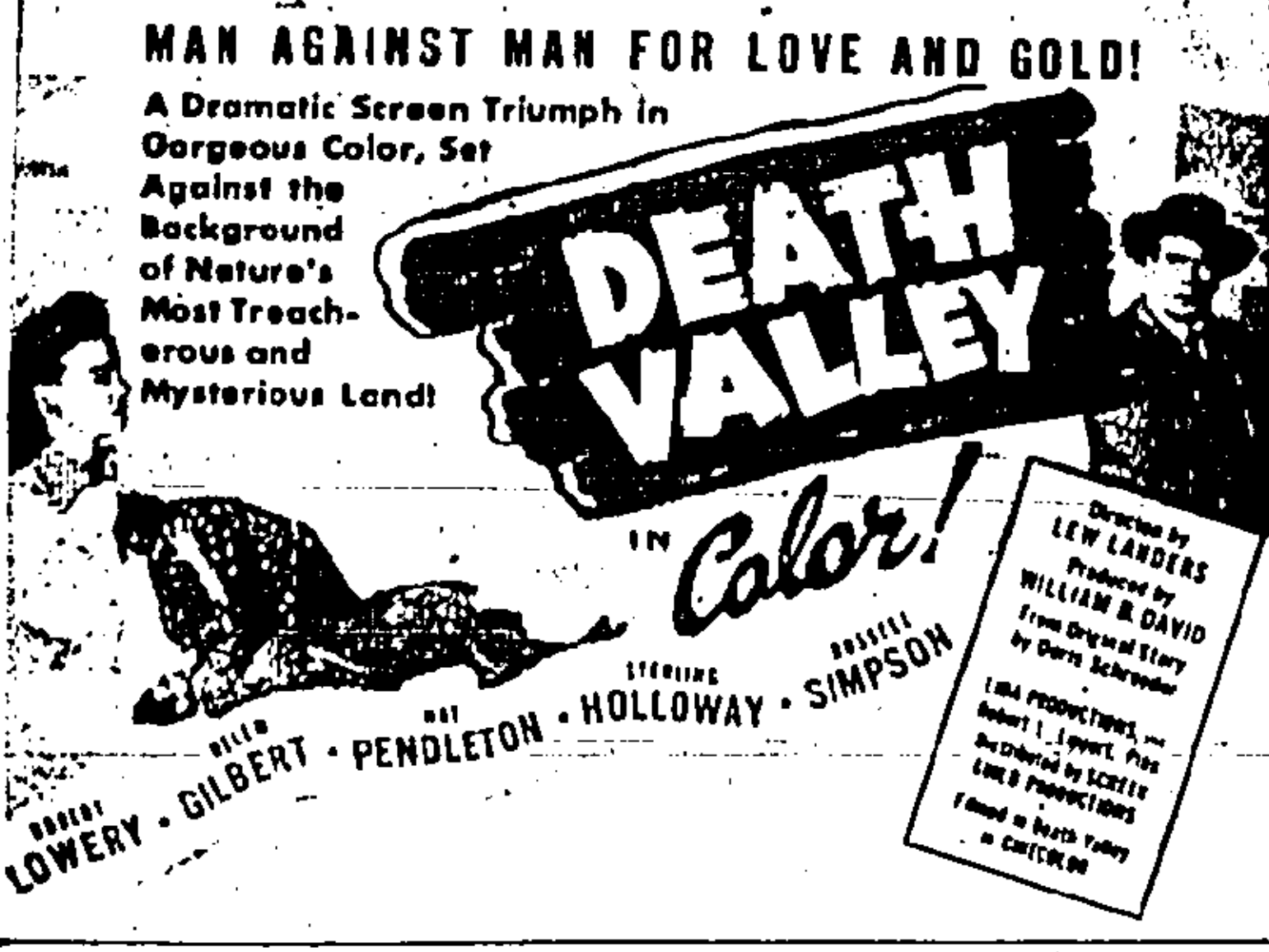


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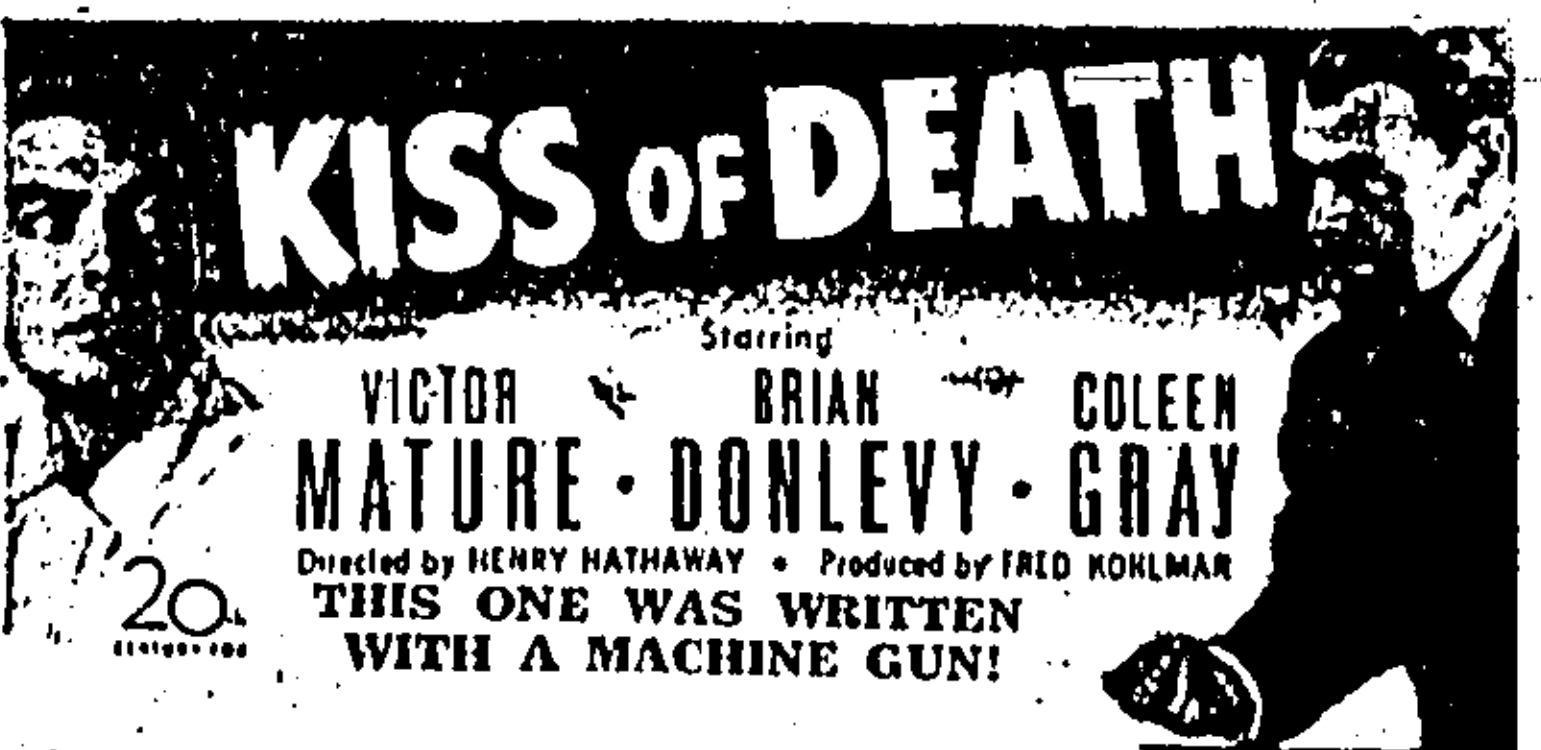
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MARSHALL AID TREATIES

France Rejects American Draft Agreement

"UNACCEPTABLE" IN PRESENT FORM

Paris, June 19.
France has instructed her Ambassador to Washington, M. Georges Bonnet, to tell the American Government again that the terms of the proposed bilateral treaty for Marshall aid are "unacceptable" in the form submitted by the State Department.

Burma: Impossible To Predict

New York, June 19.
In a leading article entitled "Communist Burma", the New York Herald Tribune said today:

"The chaotic political situation now existing in Burma was not a surprise to students of Asia, although few of them expected such a rapid drift to the left."

"Everything that was politically stable in Burma was destroyed in a series of events, that included the Japanese conquest, the reoccupation of the country by British, Chinese and American forces, the decision of the British to give Burma immediate independence (no other decision seemed possible in view of the strength of the demand for self-government) and the assassinations that resulted from internal feuds after Burma became a republic."

"Even though the current chaos was foreseen, however, it seems impossible to predict what the immediate future, let alone the distant future, holds for Burma."

"It would be a bold political scientist who would make a flat forecast on developments there within the next few years—or even the next month."

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"The BLACK PARACHUTE"

This follows the difficulties understood to have been met by the French and British Ambassadors in Washington in getting the terms of these treaties modified.

The American Ambassador in Paris, Mr. Jefferson Caffery, has, it is understood, himself urged the State Department to modify the proposed terms and has stressed that the French are "up in arms" against the original draft.

Usually well informed Parliamentary circles believe the Government would be defeated in the National Assembly if it signs the treaty as it now stands.

The terms of the draft treaty are in certain respects more severe than the general conditions for Marshall aid laid down by Congress, and, in some respects, cover ground not mentioned by Congress at all.

French circles is that some of the terms would have the effect of giving American business interests a strangle-hold on all new French enterprises started with equipment received under the European aid programme.

—Reuter.

FRENCH ADHERENCE TO 6-POWER PACT

Paris, June 19.
France notified the British and American Governments today of her adherence to the six-power agreement on Western Germany, including a currency reform—which comes into operation tomorrow—the international control of the Ruhr and a Parliament for the three Western Zones by September.

The notes to London and Washington also contained a notification of the recommendations on German claims.

Japanese Acquitted

Shanghai, June 20.
The Hangchow District Court yesterday dismissed charges of smuggling and fishing in Chinese waters preferred by the Chekiang police against six Japanese fishermen arrested at the end of last month aboard a Japanese fishing vessel off the Chekiang coast, according to the Central News Agency.

The Court found no evidence of the charges against the Japanese who now have been handed over to the police headquarters for repatriation to Japan.

The defendants contended their boat was drifting near the Chekiang coast following an engine breakdown when they were taken into custody.—Reuter.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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A SIGNAL SELDOM USED
AMONG advanced players there are a number of situations in which certain leads and plays constitute signals of a natural nature which, however, are not used by most of the rank and file. One of these applies when the opening lead is made from an honour sequence. Since experts seldom use such openings except from a three-card sequence, the second lead carries a special meaning. If it is the highest remaining card of the sequence, it indicates a desire for a return of the higher side suit when your partner has the lead, and a second lead of the lowest card in the series points to a return of the lower-ranking side suit.

S J 3 2
H K 6 5
D K 8 4
C 9 5 3

S 10 9 7 4
H Q J 10
D A 8 4
C A 8 4

S A K Q
H 7 6 5 2
D Q 10 7 6 5 3
C J

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable.)
West North East South
1 H Pass 2 C 2 D
3 D

Sherman Stearns, crack pilot among the game's veterans, and John R. Crawford, also among the younger luminaries, put the blocks to South on this deal to win a big top in a national tournament.

—Reuter.

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Sudan Issue Proposal

Cairo, June 19.
A recommendation that Egypt submit Anglo-Egyptian differences on the Sudan to the International Court is made in a note, drawn up by a Committee of experts, to be submitted to the Egyptian Cabinet.

The Cabinet's meeting to consider proposals for the future of the Sudan was agreed to by the Egyptian Foreign Minister and Sir Ronald Campbell, the British Ambassador.—Reuter.

British Council Appointment

London, June 19.
Mr. John Lucas, who, parachuted behind the Japanese lines in 1944 to carry out guerrilla and sabotage work, has been appointed British Council representative in Indonesia with headquarters at Bandung.

As acting regional representative in Singapore, he has already made several visits to Indonesia. The British Council aims at fostering good relations by keeping other nations informed about British life and culture.—Reuter.

Chang Chun Tries To Make Peace

Shanghai, June 20.
Former Premier, General Chang Chun, spent another busy day yesterday conferring with leaders of the Young China Party and the Social Democratic Party in an effort to find a compromise for these minority groups to return to the Legislative Yuan and to Premier Wang Wen-hao's Cabinet.

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9.15 p.m.—Collins-Ballet Music. London Philharmonic Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—A Play—"The Alerting of Fomenant" starring Paul Muni.
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.16 p.m.—"Take Your Choice".
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
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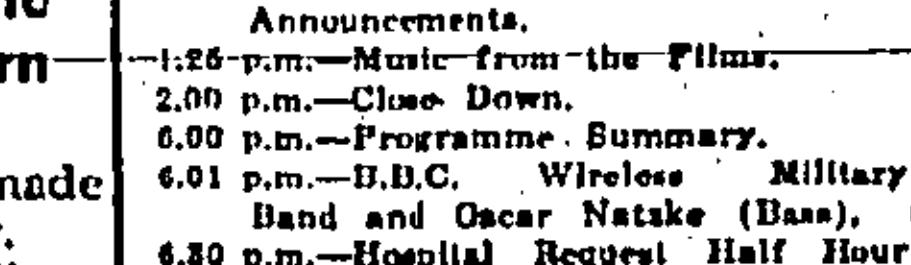
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9.00 p.m.—The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra entertains. (F.D.C.T.B.).
9.15 p.m.—Collins-Ballet Music. London Philharmonic Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—A Play—"The Alerting of Fomenant" starring Paul Muni.
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.16 p.m.—"Take Your Choice".
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
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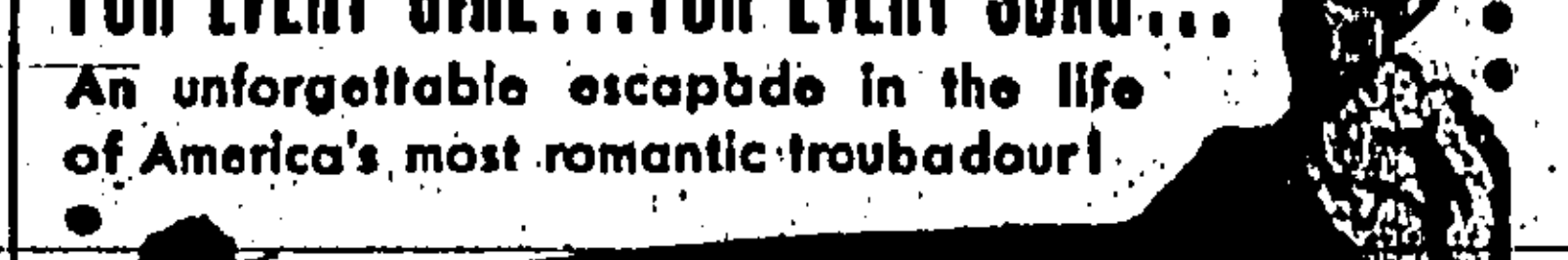
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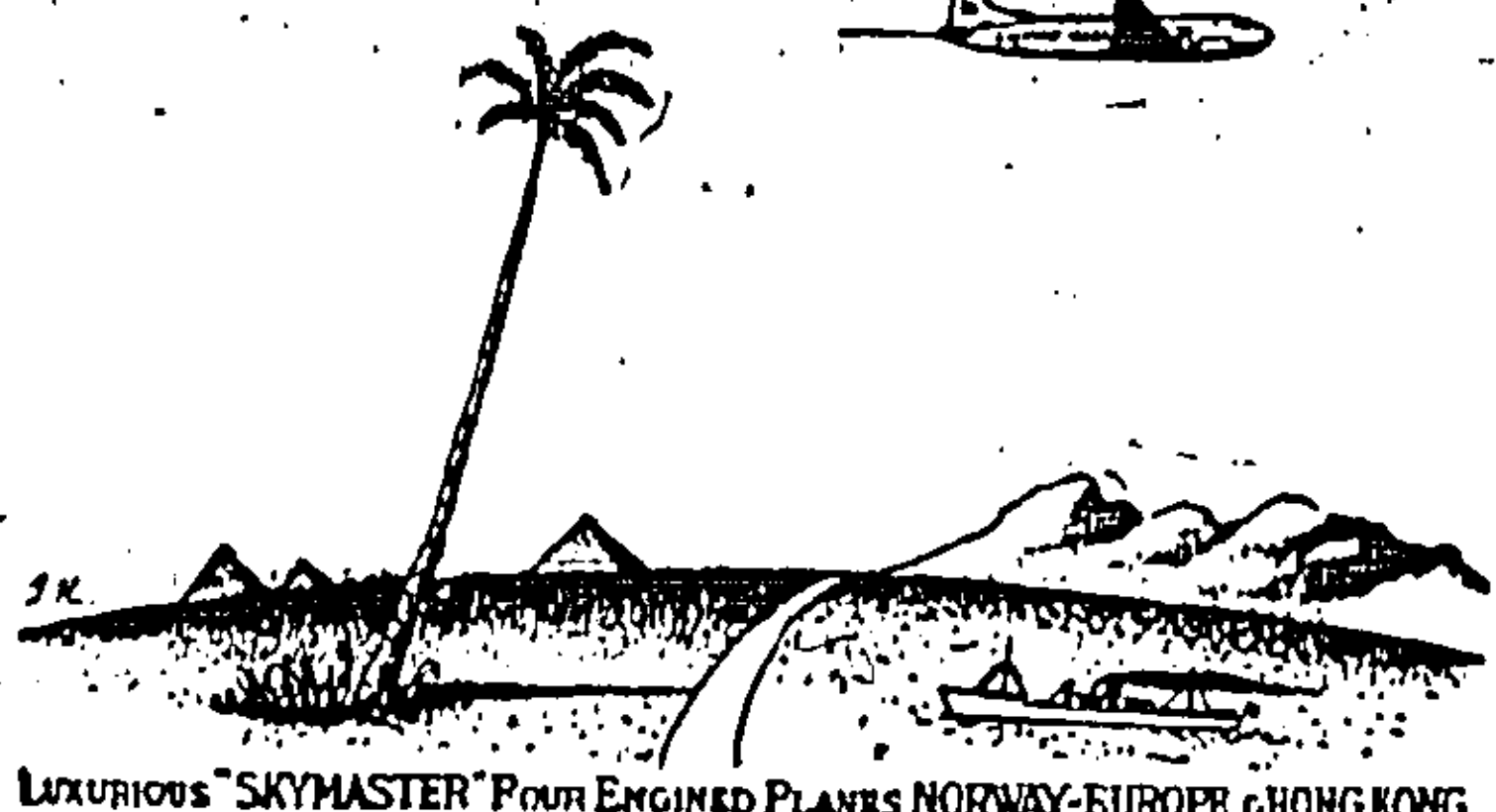
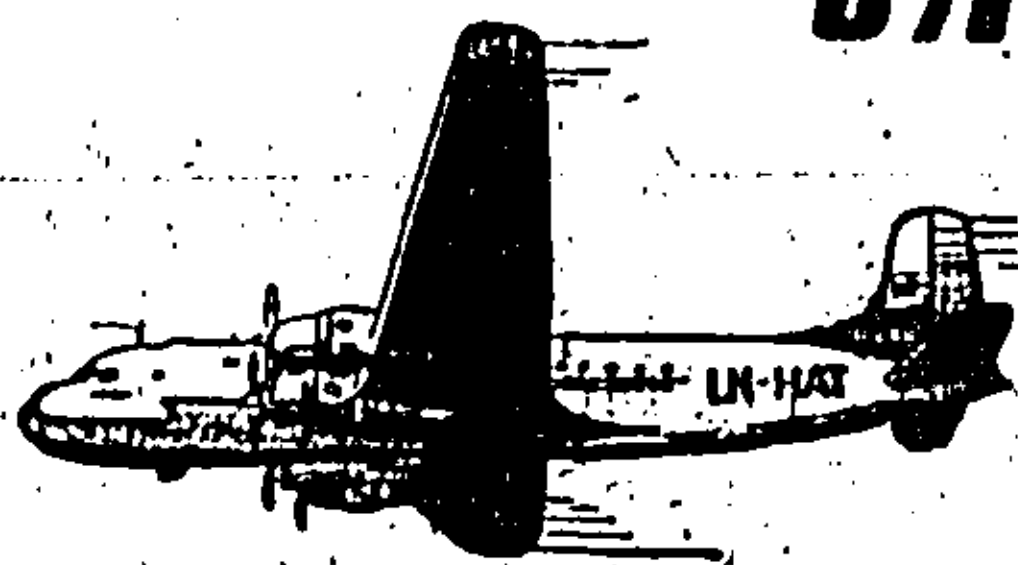
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GERMANY DIVIDED IN TWO

Currency Reform Brings Ban On Movement

Thousands Of Smugglers

Berlin, June 19.
More than 5,000 German currency smugglers have been arrested by German and Russian frontier police since the currency reform for the Western Zones was announced yesterday, the Russian licensed German news agency reported tonight.—Reuter.

UN Guards Bound For Palestine

New York, June 19.
Fifty United Nations guards are scheduled to leave aboard a chartered plane at 2130 GMT for Palestine today, they said. Count Folke Bernadotte and his mediation team to supervise and enforce the Holy Land armistice.

The blue uniformed guards—the first United Nations "army"—all volunteered for the Palestine assignment.

Leading the group is Lieutenant John Cosgrove, former law student and United States Army Intelligence officer who up to now has been concerned with the peaceful job of running the United Nations Lake Success headquarters. When the force reaches Palestine they will be issued with arms. Forty of the 50 guards came from the Lake Success headquarters force. The others were selected from nearly 100 secretariat employees who volunteered.

United Nations officials conceded that as an armed force the group is insignificant. Its main job will be the supervision of traffic on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway. The officials said that the Secretary General, Trygve Lie regards the 50-man force as the first step of his plan for a semi-permanent United Nations Army. They said that ultimately, Lie wants the 50 United Nations to allow him to recruit an armed force of about 5,000 men. The force would perform peacekeeping tasks until the big five break the stalemate over proposals for a permanent world security army to back up the Security Council's decisions.—United Press

GREAT DIFFICULTIES CREATED FOR BERLIN

Berlin, June 19.

Frau Louise Schroeder, the Social Democrat acting Mayor of Berlin, opening a special meeting of the City Assembly here tonight, expressed great sorrow that it had been impossible for the Allies to agree on a currency reform for the whole of Germany.

Time Flowing Rather Fast

New Delhi, June 17.
Premier Pandit Nehru said tonight that "no change is possible or permissible" in the draft agreement on future relations which the Nizam of Hyderabad failed to sign this week.

He told a press conference that the agreement represented the "utmost limit to which the Indian Government can go."

"As time flows on it may not be enough—and time flows rather fast."

India's draft agreement provides for immediate accession "in substance" until a plebiscite decides the issue at a future date.

India and Hyderabad agreed on the plebiscite but differed on the nature of the interim arrangements.—Associated Press.

PAKISTAN AIR SERVICES

Karachi, June 19.
It is officially announced that Karachi will be linked by air with Cairo and Teheran and with Rangoon and Singapore.

Licences to operate these routes have been granted to two Pakistan companies, one the Orient Airways and the second Pak Air Limited.

The Karachi-Colombo and Karachi-Rangoon-Singapore routes will run a service three times weekly while the Karachi-Teheran-Cairo route will have a twice weekly service.

Vikings, Dakotas and Sky-masters will be used.

The air licences, granted with effect from July 1st next, will be valid for eight years depending upon the capital expenditure involved.—Associated Press.

ALL NORMAL TRAFFIC CANCELLED

Berlin, June 19.

British, American and German officials held three separate and secret conferences in Berlin today to discuss the currency reform for western Germany, announced last night, and the resulting Soviet ban on all but freight and air traffic into their zone.

The only passenger link between the capital and the British zone today was an emergency air shuttle service, started by the British authorities within a few hours of the announcement of the Russian ban.

In the isolated capital, General Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor, called in his advisers. General Lucius D. Clay, United States Governor, talked with his senior officers, including the American commandant of Berlin, Colonel Frank Howley. Members of the Berlin City Administration met behind closed doors.

A special session of the Allied Kommandatura, called by the French Chairman to discuss currency reform was cancelled when the Soviet representative said that he was "too busy" to attend.

This was the first time any delegate had refused to attend a special meeting of the Kommandatura, only three of which had been called within the past year.

The next regular meeting of the four commandants will probably be fixed by their deputies when they meet on Wednesday.

On the roads linking Berlin with the western zones of Germany, all day traffic was "one way only."

Westbound Allied traffic on the Berlin-Helmstedt Autobahn was normal this morning but at the British border post at Helmstedt all British, American and German cars and lorries heading for Berlin were being turned back.

Trains Cancelled

Regular inter-zone passenger trains were cancelled "according to Russian instructions," the German Central Railway Administration in the Soviet zone announced. Military passenger trains have been suspended since April 1 and the last three of the special buses which had replaced them left Berlin this morning with 70 British passengers on board.

"Wait And See"

In London, the keynote of British official reaction, reported by Reuters Diplomatic Correspondent, was "wait and see." British officials, he said, are ready to admit that the Soviet measures are an understandable precaution against currency smuggling "until proof to the contrary is forthcoming."

Five freight trains, permitted under the Soviet ban to enter Berlin, were reported to have been delayed longer than usual at the Russian control post while Soviet soldiers combed the freight and personal belongings of the crews, looking for "contraband" old currency.

In Frankfurt, United States zone, today bank employees demanded heavy workers' rations through their union because of the extra work in dealing with the currency reform. Cigarettes in Frankfurt remained the temporary medium of exchange. Five pounds of flour and three pounds of cigarettes today and a pound of coffee costs 67 cigarettes. No money was taken.—Reuter.

"Denunciation"

The German People's Council, Executive body of the Communist-led People's Congress, tonight issued a formal denunciation of "the erection in western Germany of a separate state," as a result of the western Zones' currency reform.

The Council, which is regarded in political circles here as the "shadow Government" for a possible East German state, described the currency reform announcement as the "rape of Germany."

Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, Soviet Commander, was tonight understood to have accepted the advice of the German Economic Council in his zone that the German currency reform should be postponed until the position of Berlin had been clarified.

A high Russian political officer was understood to have told leading German politicians tonight that the Russian military administration would take no further steps in Berlin until after tonight's meeting of the City Council, reported to have been postponed from this morning.

"It is no longer a currency problem but the political problem of the great city of Berlin which has to be solved," the Russian officer is reported to have said.

"The Soviet military administration does not want to solve the problem alone, but with the help of responsible German quarters"—Reuter.

PRESS ON REGARDLESS

London, June 19.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Deputy Opposition Leader, said today that the six Western powers should go ahead with their programme for a Western Germany regardless of Soviet objections.

Mr. Eden told the Conservative Party rally that the six power agreement is an opportunity for making progress with the Western Union.

He said: "The Western Allies have tried to get the co-operation of the Soviet Union for this work. Unhappily, there has been no response to any of these efforts and so we must go ahead now with those who will work with us and seek to establish a democratic form of Government in Western Germany, and enable that country to play a constructive part in the economic recovery of Western Europe."—Quoted Press.

Margaret Is Introduced

Bristol, June 19.

Just a week after they were born, Mrs. Margaret Godd saw her quadruplet daughters on Saturday at the Southmead Hospital.

Her first remark was "My goodness," then a nurse had to make introductions saying: "This is Bridget, this is Frances, this is Elizabeth and this is Jennifer."—Associated Press.

Jewish Recruiting In Britain

London, June 19.

The Foreign Office was understood today to be preparing for action against a secret organisation with headquarters in London which, according to a newspaper report, is recruiting Jewish fighting men in Britain and sending them to Palestine by an underground route.

A Foreign Office spokesman said this morning that he could "broadly confirm" a report by the Paris correspondent of the London Daily Sketch that "several hundred Jews, toughened in a hidden battle training school in France, have already been taken to the Holy Land."

He said that several men, who had applied to British consulates in France, had been "caught up" in the machinery of the alleged organisation and had made "second thoughts."

All claimed to be holders of British passports, but in some cases they had been taken from them. The organisation appeared to be well organised and to operate on a fairly wide scale, it was stated.—Reuter.

Big Shipment For Europe

Washington, June 19.

Six European countries—France, Denmark, Italy, the Netherlands, Greece, Britain, with German Bizonia, Trieste and French North Africa—were granted \$215,071,075 worth of goods by the Economic Cooperation Administration here today in the biggest authorisation yet under Marshall aid.

Industrial equipment—agricultural combines, electrical and mining equipment, turbines, radiators, mechanical shovels, tractors and dump wagons—was for the first time, included in the allocations.

Previous shipments have been confined almost entirely to "relief" goods.—Reuter.

CONGRESS MAKES HISTORY

Washington, June 17.

Congress made history today, by passing major legislation over President Truman's veto for the third time in four days.

By a 297 to 102 vote, the House passed a Senate-approved bill permitting railways to make rate agreements of the type now barred by the anti-trust laws.

The vote was 31 more than the two-thirds needed to make the measure law over Mr. Truman's objections.—Associated Press.



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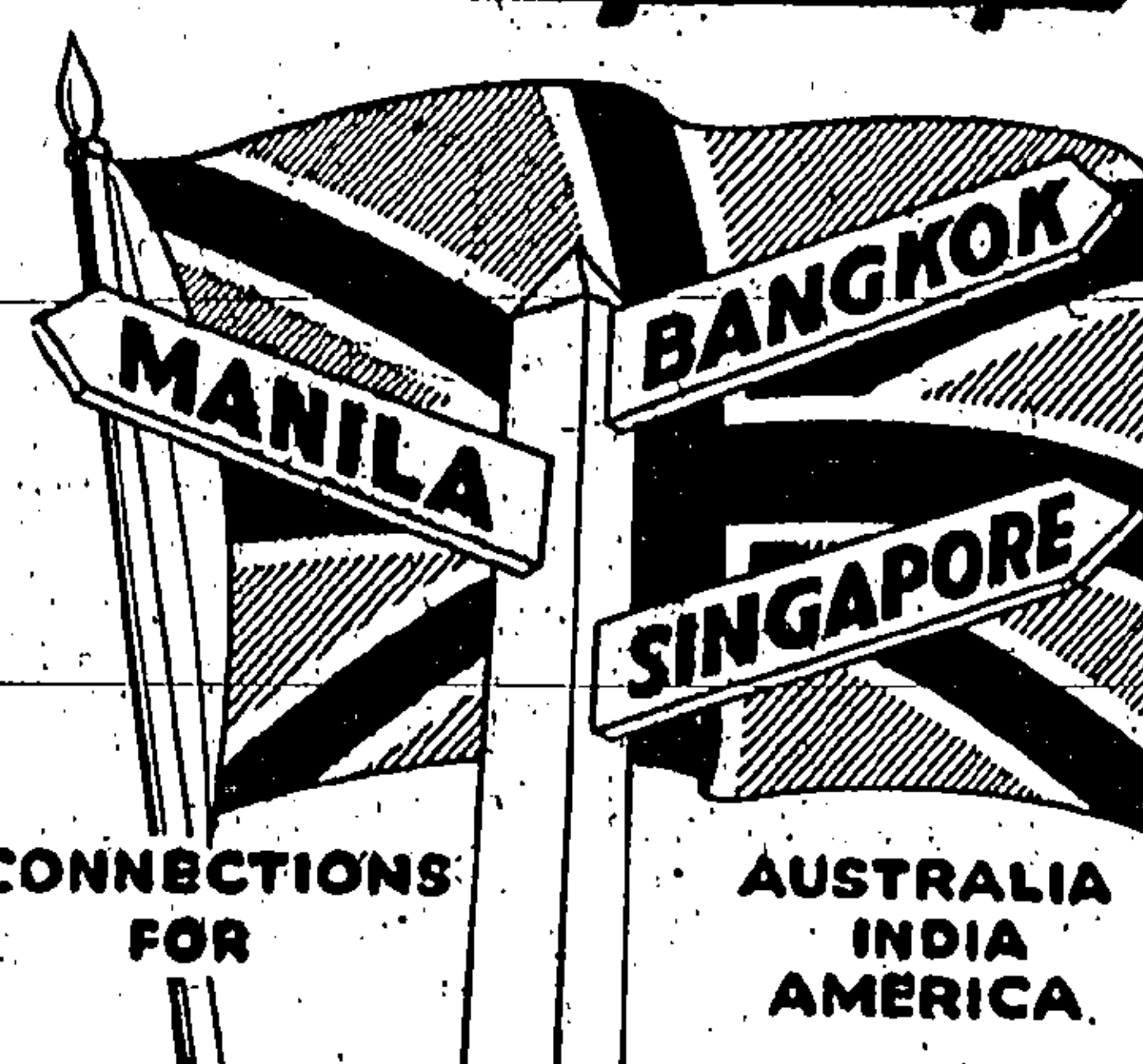
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INDONESIAN DEADLOCK NOT LIKELY TO LAST

Washington, June 19.

Jan J. Van Der Velde, political advisor to the Governor-General of Sumatra in the Netherlands East Indies, today told the United Press that he was certain that an agreement would be reached between the Indonesian Republic and Dutch authorities.

"AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" OUTCRY IN UK

Blackpool, June 18. Fifty-five delegates, representing 77,000 British foundry workers, today coupled a four to one vote for a change in the Government's foreign policy with a strong denunciation of "American imperialism."

"The United States, governed as it is by big business, is only interested in capturing new markets in Europe and retarding the advance of the common people," the resolution said.

"America will only help us at the peril of our independence. We have ample evidence of that in the swindle of the American loan."

The conference demanded the recall of British military missions and troops from Greece, and welcomed the Government's move to curb the powers of the House of Lords. It urged complete abolition as a better course.—Reuter.

Student Hecklers

London, June 18. Black students from Britain's colonies heckled Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones tonight, urging him to speak the truth when he discussed economic problems of the British Empire.

Mr. Creech Jones said, "We recognise that all is not well in all the territories under British control," but he said many of the problems of Colonial policy do not arise from any weakness on the part of Europeans.

"The policy," Mr. Creech Jones said, "is to seek the old imperialism and create a fuller understanding and good will with the Colonial people."

He said that British prestige and conscience will not tolerate a squalid, shabby policy. The meeting at which he spoke was organised by the Fabian Society.—Associated Press.

SA-CHURCH DEPUTATION

Pretoria, June 18. Leading a deputation of the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa, the moderator, the Rev. William Nicol today told the South African Minister of Labour, B.J. Schoeman, in an interview that his church did not favour recognition of coloured African trade unions because there is a danger that unscrupulous persons, especially European agitators, might abuse such organisations.—Associated Press.

SEPARATE RED PLAN

Paris, June 18. Reports reaching French Government quarters tonight said that Russia will announce a separate currency reform for her occupation zone of Germany within 48 hours.

No details of the proposed Russian measures are available.—United Press.

Israel's Political Problems

Tel Aviv, June 18.

An "Israel Foreign Office" statement, said tonight that Premier Ben Gurion's talks with the United Nations mediator, Count Bernadotte, centered on "Israel's political problems."

The official statement said that the fate of a number of Kenya deportees whom the British refused to release despite the end of their sovereignty in Palestine had also been discussed.

Earlier, Premier Ben Gurion reported at the Council Government that "We shall render our best help to Count Bernadotte but we do not want peace at any price."

Meanwhile most members of the Israel Parliament are reported to be highly critical of their Government's preparedness to "submit" to what they consider an Anglo-American bid to "lessen Israel's sovereignty."

They strongly oppose any extension of the truce which would bring a final decision of the fate of Palestine beyond the Presidential election in the United States.—United Press.

Philadelphia, June 18.

The "most international" foreign affairs plank ever offered by the Republican party will be written into the 1948 Republican platform, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, chairman of the convention resolutions committee, said today.—Associated Press.

BRITAIN AND EIRE MAKE A DEAL

London, June 19.

Britain is to get larger supplies of food from Eire as a result of an agreement reached by British and Irish negotiators here today, it was learned tonight.

US Still At War

New York, June 18.

The U.S. is still at war with Germany, at least legally.

A superior court judge ruled today that Hilda Feyler, 27, a German concert pianist—cannot prosecute a paternity suit against an American who was formerly a major in the occupation forces.

Justice Frederick Hannenburgh declaring "a state of war still exists between the U.S. and the German Reich," dismissed the suit to have Henry Milford Montmer, a banker, grandson of the president of the Standard Oil Company of California, adjudged the father of her daughter Barbara, aged 2.—Associated Press.

POLICE OCCUPY REFUGEE CAMP

Milan, June 17. Turin dispatches to Milan newspapers reported today that about 50 police and carabinieri on Wednesday occupied the Jewish refugee camp at Gaugliasso.

The action was taken when inmates of the camp who were to be transferred to another one in central Italy refused to leave it. The camp is operated by the International Relief Organisation.

The transfer was suspended pending definite instructions. A similar disturbance occurred in a Milan refugee camp last month but its inmates later evacuated it peacefully.—Associated Press.

POLICEMEN "VERY KIND"

London, June 18. Stanley Pollard is seven. Gerald Riley is eight. They like big machines.

They watched workmen on a construction job lifting great loads with the 105 foot boom of a crane. The workmen went to lunch.

Stanley and Gerald climbed into the driver's seat and pulled a lever. The boom is now in two pieces and steel girders of a partly finished building are all tangled up.

The policemen were very kind, Stanley said.—Associated Press.

BATTLING POTATO BUG

Winkfield, Windsor, Forest, June 18.

All the King's horses, men and tractors on one of his estates here went out to do battle today with the potato bug.

Spraying of all potato plants in a three-mile radius covering part of one of the Royal estates was ordered after discovery of 51 Colorado beetles in a Winkfield garden.

Britain, which never has had its fields infested, has been battling for weeks to halt an invasion from France.—Associated Press.

Too Many Coppers

Peterborough, June 19. Three hundred drivers and a conductor had been suspended after a complaint by a passenger that she gave 1/4 coppers in change.

The strikers claim that they have right on their side. "Coppers are legal tender up to 2/11½d."—The legal view is that coppers are legal tender up to 1/ and 12-sided three-penny pieces up to 2/.—Reuter.

MANAGER FOR QUADS

Bristol, June 18.

Bristol's four quadruplet girls, born prematurely through a Caesarian operation last Sunday, got a business manager today—Britain's expert in managing the affairs of quads.

Mr. G. B. Clements, a London Fleet Street journalist, won an agreement from the girls' parents, Charles Good and his wife, to handle all their advertising endorsements, film appearances, photographs and other money-making appearances.

Mr. Clements also manages Britain's only other living quads—the Miles quads of St. Neots, Huntingdonshire. The St. Neots quads, now 12, are three boys and a girl.

The Goods quads are doing fine. They are all on the bottle now and try their lungs every day in real air when the lids of their oxygen tents are lifted for a while.—Associated Press.

Policy To Indonesia Unchanged

London, June 18.

Reports suggesting that there had been a recent change in the British Government's policy towards Indonesia are without foundation, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

As is generally known, the British Government have, for a long time, based their position on the "Renville" agreement of January, 1948, between the Netherlands Government and the Republic of Indonesia, sponsored by the United Nations good offices committee, the spokesman said.

This agreement itself in no way changes the British attitude towards the Republic, he added.—Reuter.

REGULATIONS REPEALED

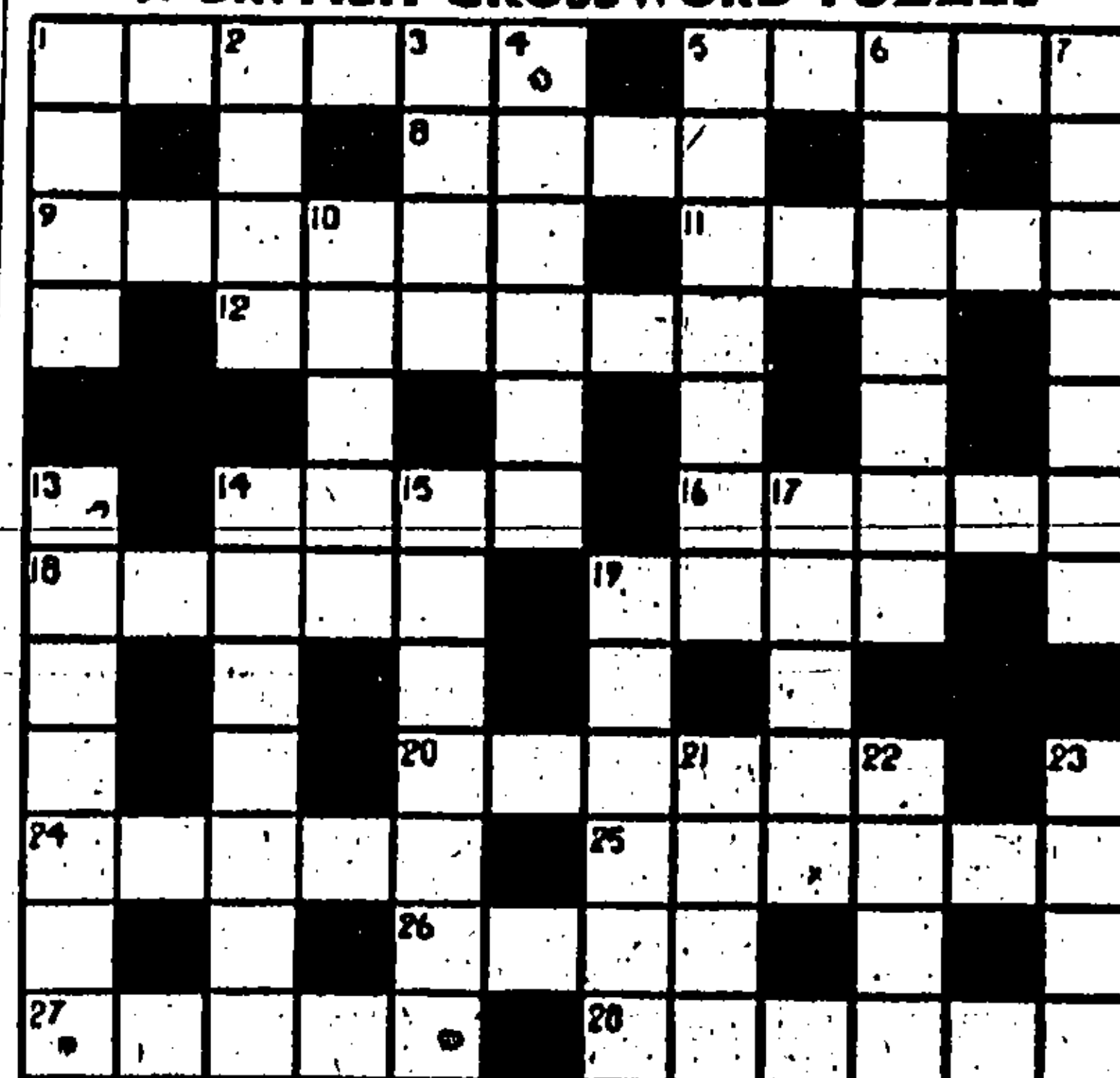
Pretoria, June 18.

South Africa's Minister for Justice, C.R. Swart, has repealed the dominion's national security regulations promulgated by Field Marshal Smuts' government in 1941 banning members of the Ossewabrandwag and Broederbond from the government service, a government proclamation announced today.

Ossewabrandwag was regarded by the Smuts government as pro-Fascist and many of its members were interned for activities against the security of the state.

The Broederbond was branded as a secret Republican organisation and regarded as subversive.—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

- Vault.
- Eye.
- Set upright.
- Prejudice against.
- Haggard.
- Modest.
- Cheerful song.
- Beforehand.
- Diminish.
- Inequality.
- Clatter.
- Reject with disdain.
- Small.
- Always.
- Tie up.
- Sunshade.
- Lastitude.
- Erudite.
- Grown-up.
- Vent.
- Merchants.
- Wear.
- Carries.
- Engrave.
- Deserve.
- Successor.

Clues Down

- Reject.
- Notary.
- Down—1. Come.
- Prime.
- Censure.
- Obey.
- Dragon.
- Ovals.
- Arson.
- Sister.
- Replica.
- Coal.
- Lariat.
- Stray.
- Jeer.

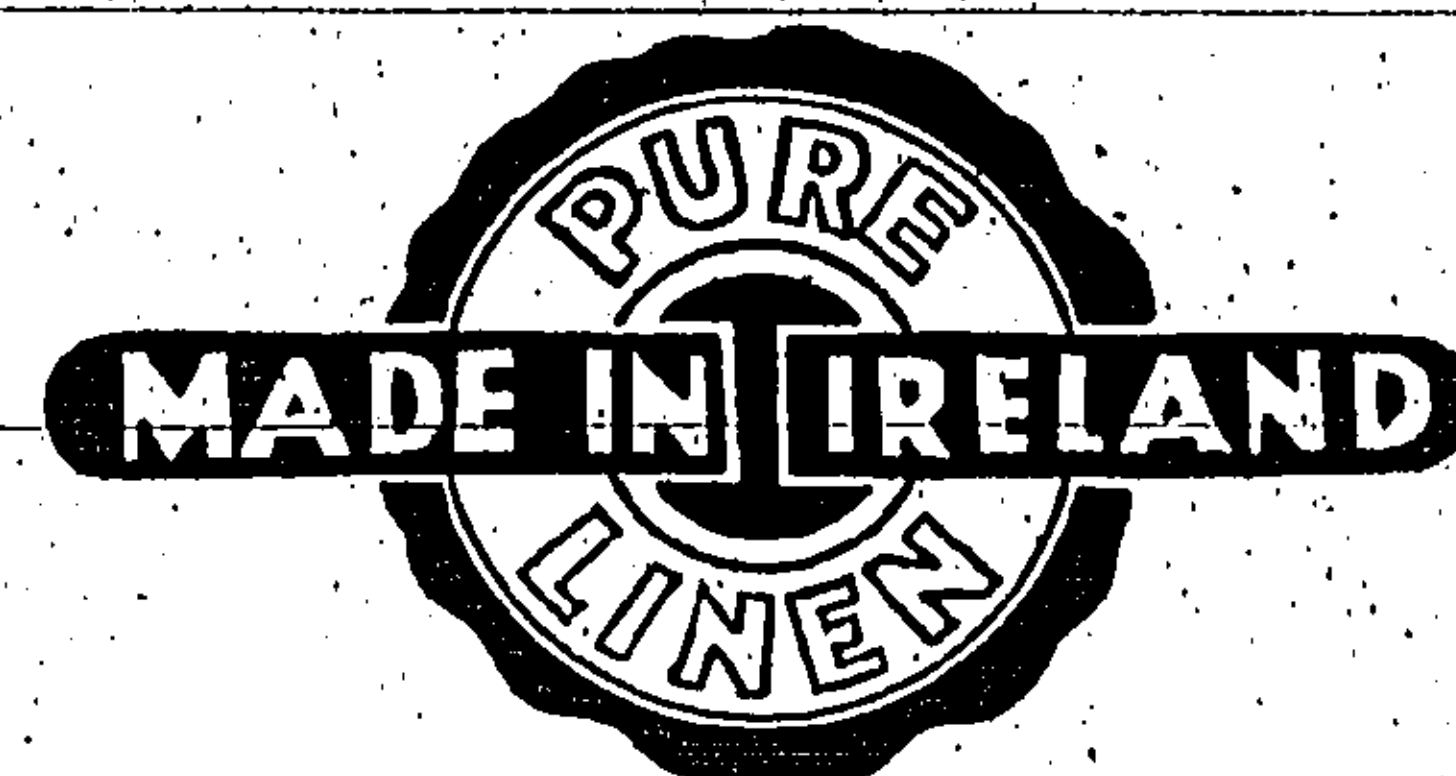
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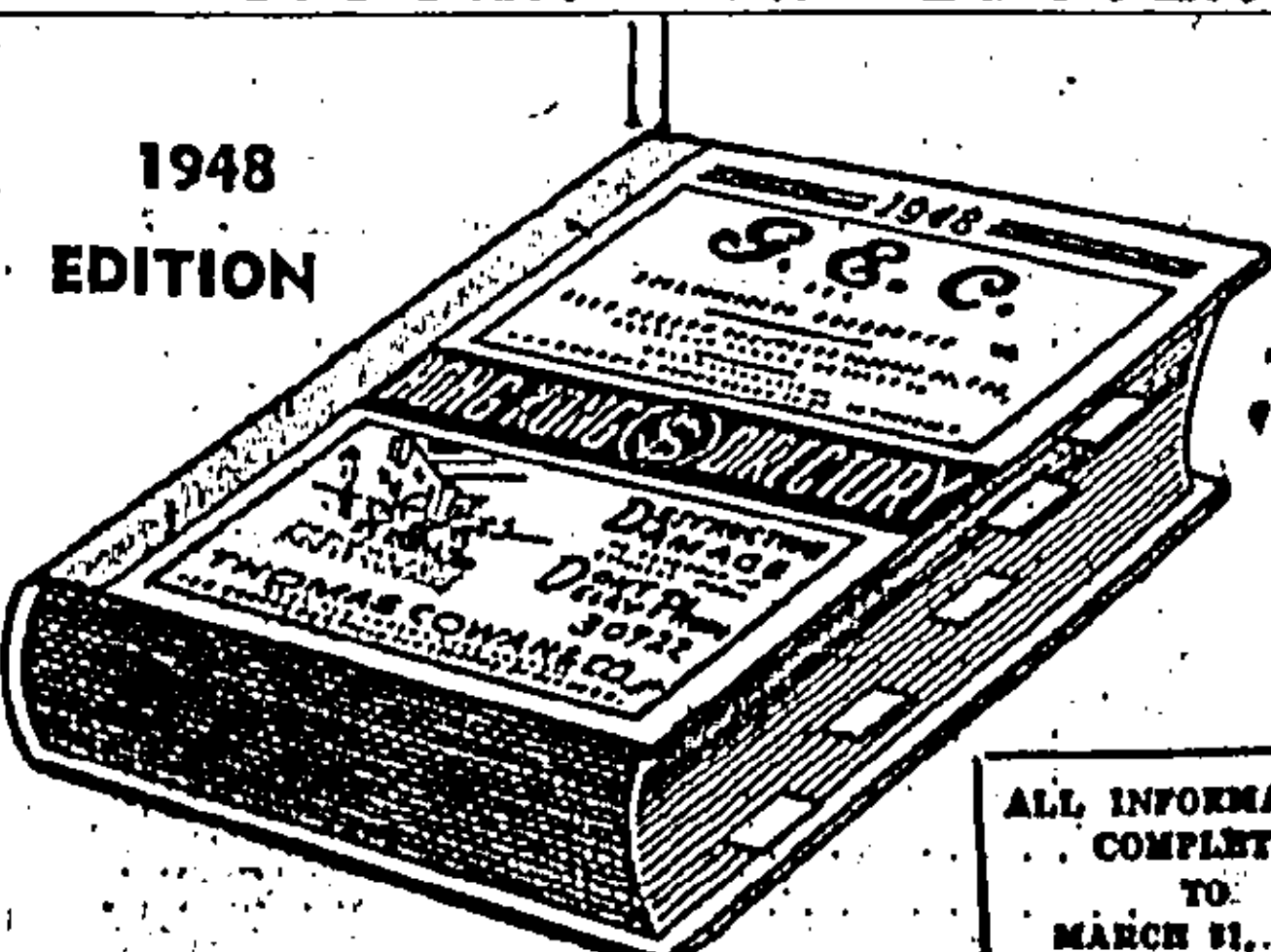
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The Minister for Labour, M. Daniel Mayer, on the other hand, believes subsidies and a revision of provincial wages scales provide the solution, and the Prime Minister, M. Robert Schuman, is now trying to reconcile this conflict of the views of the "two Mayers."—Reuter.

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"TJISADANE" from Macassar & Java Ports 24th June	Sailings to Java Ports & Macassar 25th June

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Departures
"TEGELBERG" from South America, 25th June	Sailings to South America, 26th June
"RUYS" from South Africa, 28th June	Sailings to South Africa, 29th June
"STRAAT MALAKKA" from South Africa, 10th August	Sailings to South Africa & South America via Manila Straits & Batavia 24th Sept.

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Arrivals	Departures
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From	Date	Vessel
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	Mid. August	m.v. "DONA ANICETA"
SAILINGS		
For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	22nd June	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

AMERICAN EXPERT WARNS AGAINST LOW PRICE RUBBER POLICY

New York, June 19.

"Fortune" magazine warns that if the United States fails to sustain natural rubber prices the worst world will lose its "last major stronghold in Southeast Asia."

The warning is contained in a letter from Singapore by Fortune correspondent Gilbert Burck, published in the June issue. Tin and rubber, he said, make the U.S. more dependent on Malaya than on any other colonial area, and conversely Malaya's whole life depends on this country.

Poles Migrate To Argentine

Southampton, June 18. One thousand Polish emigrants, most of them members of General Anders' Second Army, sailed for Argentina today aboard the Empire Trooper to become farmers and factory hands.

Among the emigrants was Eva Miszewka who founded the Polish Wrens in 1943 and commanded them until disbanded a few months ago. She escaped from Poland in 1939, worked as a nurse in France and escaped to England just before the Nazis seized Paris.

She is going to Mendoza to live. Major General Z. Lukanski, commander of the Polish troops in England's Southern Command, told the emigrants: "Poland will one day need labour of your hands and your hard won experience to help her rise from her ruins and flourish again with a newly won freedom among the nations of the world."

The Empire Trooper is the former German "Gap Norte" and was wellknown to the South American run before the war. The British seized her at the outbreak of war.—United Press.

Roger Lapham In Tsingtao

Tsingtao, June 18. The ECA China Mission chief, Mr. Roger Lapham, and members of his mission were told of the American run before the war. The British seized her at the outbreak of war.—United Press.

STEEL SHIPMENTS STOPPED

Washington, June 18. Senator Wherry said today the Government has decided to hold up shipments of steel for the construction of an oil pipeline across the Arabian desert.

Wherry told reporters that three Cabinet officials have assured him that no new exports will be approved at least until the second week of September.

Wherry is chairman of the Senate Small Business Committee. That group has received complaints that American business men have been unable to get needed steel pipe while shipments were going abroad.—Associated Press.

PI IMPORT CONTROLS

Manila, June 19. President Quirino today sent a message to Congress, which is now in special session, certifying the urgency of enacting the important control measure, whose aim is to conserve dollar reserves by limiting imports of non-essential goods and also in a certain extent protect infant industries by limiting imports of competing goods.—United Press.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

Bombay: Silver: Ready, per 100 tolas, 174 Rupees, 02 Annas; Forward, per 100 tolas, 174, 00; Marwar (unofficial), 174, 04; Gold: 1822 pieces; Egyptian pound, 400; Sovereign, 501; Turkey pound, 360; Napoleon, 370; Dollar (piece de cinq) 490; Silver (piastres) per Kilogram, 825. (One "dirhem" is equal to 1/10th of an ounce).—Reuter.

EGYPTIAN RICE FOR JAPAN

Tokyo, June 18. The first postwar shipment of Egyptian rice, totalling 8,530 tons, is expected to arrive in Japan next month, according to sources close to the Japanese Board.

The shipment is part of a contract for 25,000 tons of rice and 24,000 tons of barley from Egypt. Prospective rice imports into Japan include 50,000 to 70,000 tons from Siam, and about 50,000 tons from Korea.

The authorities here are preparing to send a Japanese trade mission to Siam to arrange a winter contract covering rice from Siam in exchange for Japanese rolling stock and electrical machinery.—Reuter.

Currency Arrests In Germany

London, June 19. A first batch of 80 people, who attempted to cross illegally into the Soviet zone with a large quantity of banknotes were arrested at Henneberg in the Meiningen district, only a few hours after the announcement of the currency reform in the western zones of Germany. It was reported tonight by the Soviet licensed news agency.

These persons, who were in possession of 10,000 to 30,000 marks on the average are accused of trying to throw the economics in the eastern German zones "out of gear," the agency said.—Reuter.

Navy Arrest Pan York's Skipper

Haifa, June 19. British Military Headquarters tonight announced that the captain of the Jewish ship, Pan York, was arrested in the early hours of this morning for "disobedience of Royal Navy orders."

The Pan York and the Pan Crescent, which British warships escorted to Cyprus in January, arrived empty in Haifa Bay shortly after midnight (local time) from Cyprus, presumably for refueling. A party from the British naval tug, Brigand, was reported to have boarded the Pan York an hour later in the glare of searchlights and took off the captain forcibly.

Unconfirmed reports said the captain, who was tonight still under arrest in the port area, was an American citizen, but the American Consulate said they had not been notified of the incident.—Reuter.

Danger To Atom Energy Programme

Washington, June 19. David E. Lilienthal, Chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, told senators today that grave danger to the atomic energy programme has been caused by the House of Representatives cuts in funds for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Addressing the Senate appropriations sub-committee, he said "in our considered opinion the cuts may threaten the very foundation upon which world leadership by this country in atomic energy depends."

Lilienthal asked for restoration of the \$48,000,000 cut made by the House in the commission's appropriations for the fiscal year starting on July 1.

The House had recommended a total of \$50,850 plus \$400,000 in contract authority.—Associated Press.

MONEY FOR NAVY

Washington, June 17. The U.S. Navy will have about \$3,749,000,000 for the year beginning June 1 under a compromise agreement reached by Senate and House conference last night.

Members of both Houses have agreed to the figure and both Houses are expected to accept it when the measure comes up for approval. The total is about \$200,000,000 less than the Navy had asked.—Associated Press.

JAP RAILWAY STRIKE

Tokyo, June 19. The strike of the all-Japan Private Railway Workers Union today entered its second day as the Union and management failed to reach an agreement—despite continued negotiations.

The number of office workers stranded in Tokyo's suburbs as a result of the strike was yesterday estimated at 650,000 and has today risen to an approximate one million, according to latest reports.

The lack of transport and heavy rains have left many Tokyo offices at half strength.—Reuter.

Customs Strike Near Settlement

Shanghai, June 20. Authoritative Chinese Customs sources disclosed yesterday night that the go-slow strike of 2,000 Customs employees was "being settled" with the assistance of the Ministry of Finance.

One of the strikers, quoted by the China Press, said the strikers' principal demand was for recognition of their Welfare Association, although they are also asking for a one-month loan and a pay-scale adjustment.

By Government order the Welfare Association was ordered dissolved in favour of an approved and "democratic" Staff Association some time ago.

The authorities frowned on the Welfare Association as a disguised labour union.

The Customs workers have now renewed their demand for official recognition of their Welfare Association coupled with the right that it may be used as an instrument in the settlement of labour disputes.

The go-slow strike which first began on Friday afternoon, is hampering general Customs operation, although a certain amount of work is reported to have been accomplished.—Reuter.

China's Trade With India

Shanghai, June 20. Hope of much closer trade relations between India and China arising from changed political conditions in the Far East and the increasingly greater part to be played by the Indian merchant community in Shanghai, was expressed by Mr. Sardar Panikkar, the Indian Ambassador, in an address before the Indian Merchants Association yesterday evening.

In expanding the economies in China and India, Mr. Panikkar said, "we can be complementary to each other and develop trade relations which would be of benefit to both countries."

"I assure you that in this country conditions will normalise themselves and its vast resources, when suitably harnessed, will benefit not only this country, but with closer trade relations between India and China will bring prosperity to 800 million people of the world."—Reuter.

RUHR COAL EXPORTS

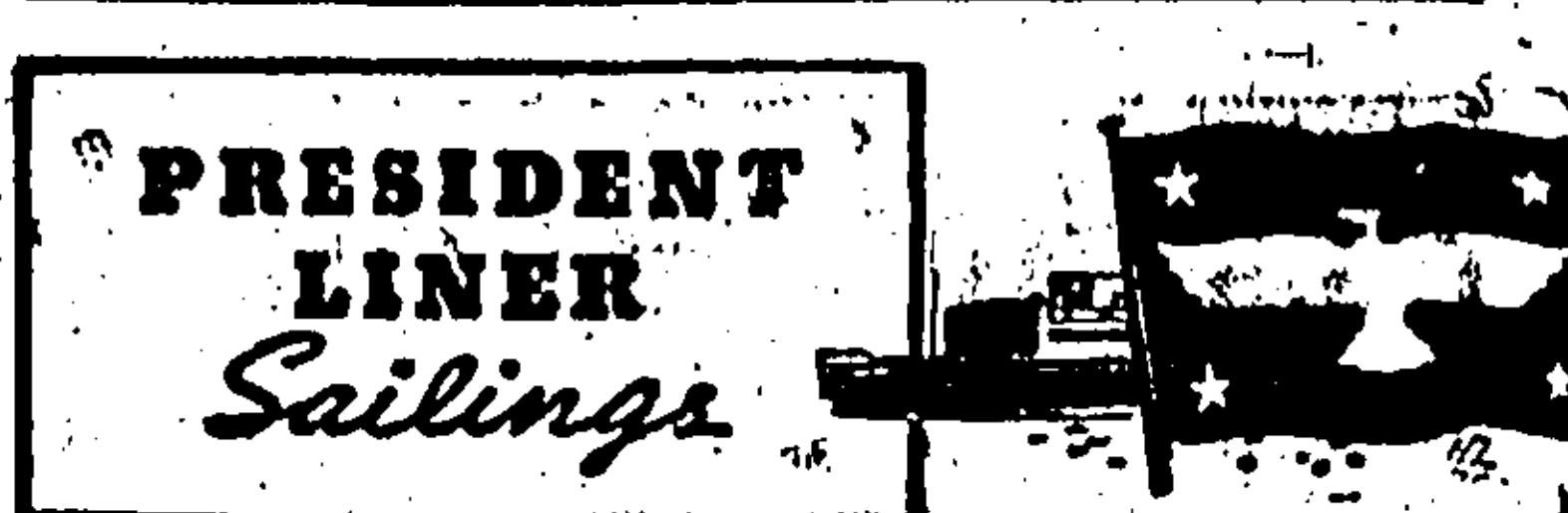
Essen, June 18. Ruhr coal totalling over one million and ten thousand tons was exported to 12 European countries last month for payment in dollars, the British-United States Ruhr coal authority announced today.

Chief receiving country was France with 276,774 tons. Other allocations went to Luxembourg, 157,324; Holland, 132,226; Italy, 130,612; Denmark, 79,693; Belgium, 74,378; Sweden, 74,338; Finland, 54,565; Greece, 22,633; Switzerland, 21,645; Portugal, 3,845 and Norway, 2,378 tons.—Reuter.

FREE TRADE URGED

Amsterdam, June 18. A resolution urging governments to abolish all trade barriers and to return to a system of completely free trade was adopted unanimously at the latest session of the international week conference which was held yesterday and today in Amsterdam.

The resolution further said that the system of export and import licences especially is a large obstacle to international trade.—Associated Press.



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